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Theory of Kindergarten Methods

A Study from Froebel's "Education of Man."

BY ELIZABETH H. BAKER, NASHVILLE, TENN.

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EIGHTH GIFT—THE CONNECTED SLAT—NINTH GIFT—THE DISCONNECTED SLAT—TENTH GIFT—THE STICK.

Several years since I attended the Sub-Tropical Exposition in Jacksonville, Fla. One of the most prominent features of the Exposition was an immense statue, representing a woman. The figure was clad in the national colors, with a long white apron conspicuously trimmed in tobacco leaves and flowers. What an object lesson to the thousands of youth and children who visited the Exposition! The next summer I stopped in Cincinnati, O., for a few days at her Exposition. I there found a large room set apart for a kindergarten. The little tables were filled with busy children—some drawing, some playing with blocks, etc. After awhile the work was put away and the children took their places in the circle for the plays and games. As I sat there watching these happy faces and graceful movements, the tears came into my eyes, though the room was crowded with spectators. I said to myself, "this is what we need in the south—what we must have." And God's hand has led us and planted us, so that now we have made a beginning. May this little seed bear fruit a thousand fold! If looking at a beautiful picture elevates a mature person, will not the contemplation of beautiful figures—beautiful because they are symmetrical, elevate and develop the idea of beauty in a child? And in this prosaic world, may we not be benefitted by sometimes turning away from "business" to revel awhile in the Ideal? So while I try to picture to your minds something of the workings of the kindergarten by means of cold words, be pleased to remember that all such attempts are mostly futile. The spirit, the touching beauty of it all, can only be grasped by actual contact.

The seventh gift, the tablets, was the first step toward abstraction; the slat is the second step. As the square tablet represents the side of the cube and the circle represents the sphere, so the slat represents the edge of the circle. The connected slat consists of ten slats, each four inches long and half an inch wide, each overlapping the next one at the end and fastened to it by a rivet, so that all can be unfolded or folded up and moved into different forms, mostly geometrical. The number of forms of beauty is very limited. A fish, a fan, a basket, a horse are among the forms of life. The aim of this gift is to show how one form is the outgrowth of another; arranging the slats in the form of a square and pulling the opposite corners, the rhombus appears, sides equal as in the square but angles all oblique, etc. It also offers the best starting point for the study of the different angles to the greatest advantage. Thus by turning a right angle about in all possible positions, it prompts a solution of the puzzling problem as to what constitues a right angle. Parallel lines are also shown in all possible positions. The closed slat takes up scarcely more room than a single slat and with it all different directions are shown. With two slats the different angles are made. The right angle is first made with the half of the lines which form the square network in the table. The acute angle is next made by pushing the end of one slat toward the other. He thus learns that there are many sizes of acute angles.

The obtuse angles may be similarly demonstrated. Three slats the child will find to be the least number that will enclose a space. It forms of them an equilateral triangle. Four slats form the square, which by pushing out the opposite diagonal corners is changed into a rhombus, which the child can now easily understand, with its equal parallel sides and oblique angles. Of five slats the pentagon is made and also the trapezoid. Of six slats, the oblong, the rhomboids and the trapezium are made Thus by constantly bringing into use one more slat, new geometrical figures are brought out. By constantly repeating what we have already gone over with the other gifts and occupations, but with fresh material and such varied means as always to keep the interest alive, this gift proves very valuable as it will render more clear the forms with which the child is already familiar. The ninth gift. The disconnected slat emphasizes the process of abstraction, foreshadowed in the eighth gift. Slats of different lengths, widths, and thickness are used. Short talks on wood, where obtained; different kinds of wood, for what purposes used, etc., are given quite incidentally. Work with the connected slat is reviewed. The new work taken up with this gift is interlacing. Country children especially have always been accustomed to this exercise in its rudiments, weaving grasses, twigs, etc. Interlacing cannot be done with less than four slats. These are gradually increased as the child exhausts his inventive powers on the number he may have had. This gift develops his ingenuity and confirms in habits of carefulness; for if he is careless a figure may be nearly complete and yet fall to pieces through want of attention to some little detail. This gift is also a capital teacher of numbers; numeration, addition, substraction, multiplication and division being readily inculcated. An almost endless variety of forms of beauty, forms of life and forms of knowledge may be made from the slats of this gift.

Tenth Gift—the sticks. With this gift the child advances still a step further in abstraction. The sticks usually first given are two inches in length and either round or squared. After the child becomes well acquainted with the two-inch stick, others of one inch, three inches, four and five inches may be given. This gift is given very early to the child; usually the number five at first. The arrangement of these little sticks requires dexterity and carefulness. Simple operations in numbers, talks of information about trees and incidentally about birds and leaves and fruits and flowers, the gradual formation of a tree, illustrated by the planting of an acorn and watching its germination, all tends to increase the child's stock of conception. The trees of the forest and the birds become his personal friends and the little sticks increase in value in his estimation from the labor which has been taken to prepare them for him. Geometrical forms are reviewed and extended. Forms of life and beauty grow under his tireless fingers. The figures made may be drawn upon slate, pricked in cards and sewn with colored threads. Little stories are told by the teacher to convey some lesson of kindness to animals which their sticks represent to them, or they tell something about their stick of candy or pencil or banana, which to them are real and not sticks at all, so vivid is the imagination of childhood.

In our next we will complete the work of the Gifts and then present three or four papers on the Occupations.

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Prosperous Church and School.

EDITOR FREEMAN:

During my leisure the thought came to me to write a few lines to your paper concerning our church in this cozy little village, of which Rev. Martin Coleman is pastor; and public school, of which Prof. Geo. King is principal, assisted by Miss Fannie Whitted. Both church and school are on the high progressive line. Each are second to none. In addition to this, permit me to say that Rockville's citizens have an organization known as the P. L. A., a progressive literary association, with a banner whose inscription bears the title of "Excelsior." The writer, according to previous arrangements, lectured in said church ... the "Origin of the five distinct races of mankind as recorded in the Bible," and was greeted with a very pleasant and appreciative audience. At the close was tendered a reception by the P. L. A., at the home of Prof. George King. That the hospitalities and courtesies of the members of the P. L. A. were grand, would only be putting the fact mildly. The citizens of Rockville are possessed with all those characteristics that leads one upward and onward. Indeed we can truthfully say that their morals and christian traits are of the highest grade; and with the influence of Rev. Martin Coleman, as pastor and Prof. Geo. King, as principal of the public school, with his able assistant, Miss Fannie Whitted, the community as a whole, is second to none. Such progressive work is extensively inclined to assist in rapidly solving the race problem. Strange, but true, that our smaller towns are doing more to elevate the race, according to numbers, than the larger cities. We have for many months heard much of Rockville and its citizens, and expected to find it something near to that as recommended, but was forced to remark concerning it as the Queen of Sheba of Solomon, "The half has never been told." WM. L. PERRY, M. D.

Rockville, Ind.

A New Play.

Ft. Wayne, Ind., Special.

Frank Willis has written a melo-drama called "Wealth or Commonwealth," which he will give to the G. K. L. club for presentation. Miss Dosie Jones has returned to her home at Churabusco after a two week's visit in Ft. Wayne. Miss Bessie Merchant is very sick with diptheria. The Ladies' Industrial Society gave a literary entertainment. An excellent address was made by Mrs. L. A. Brown, subject "Temperance."

FIFTEENTH ANNUAL SESSION

Students of Central Tennessee College, Fisk and

Roger Williams Universities, Conduct an Intellectual Love Feast—"A Feast of Reason and Flow of Soul,"

Nashville, Tenn., Special.

The opening services of the 18th Annual Session of the Students Conference of Central Tennessee College, Fisk and Roger Williams Universities, were held on the night of the 30th, ult., in the Chapel of Roger Williams University. John W. Work, of Fisk University, delivered the annual address, subject, "Literature, its Sources and Effect." After the address, business peculiar to the conference was transacted, then adjourned to meet December 1st, at 10 a. m., at Central Tennessee College. The first paper was by Miss Nannie Williams, of Fisk University, "The Time Factor in Education," was impressed upon all present. "The Co-operation of Students in School Government," was the subject of A. C. Maclin's paper, of Central Tennesse College. Miss L. M. J. Fox, of Roger Williams University, caused the brethren to say many funny things, because she believed in, and wrote a paper on "Female Suffrage," in which she pleaded most earnestly (?) for the cause. Recess until 1:30 p. m.

The evening session was opened with music by Central Tennessee College, "Must Jesus Bear the Cross Alone." The first speaker was Daniel Lawson, of Fisk University, subject, "University Training." In a most masterly manner he advocated his subject as one of the means by which we are able to strengthen the limited powers of our mind. Miss Unice C. Holmes, of Central Tennessee College, proved to the conference that she practices what she preaches, by reading a well prepared paper on "Every Day English." Music, a piano solo, by Miss Jessie Drier. "Why I am what I am," was the golden thought of Alex. Green's paper. He advised the Negro to let politics alone and seek wealth and education. This paper was discussed quite freely on both sides.

The committee on nominations reported the following names for officers for the ensuing year: President, F. C. Campbell, of Roger Williams University; Vice-president, H. T. Davis, of Fisk University; Secretary, W. D. Wilson, of Central Tennessee College; Treasurer, Augustus Lawson, of Fisk University. The president-elect was escorted to the rostrum, and in few words of congratulation by the ex-president, was welcomed to the chair. After the report of the inance committee, the conference adjourned.

Miss Jessie Price is now a teacher in the Blind Asylum. Joshua Hill entered Fisk University on 28th, ult. He has been teaching near Cookville, Tenn. We are glad to have Mrs. M. D. McFarland, our much beloved teacher in the sewing and cooking departments of Fisk University, with us again. The foot ball teams of Fisk and Roger Williams Universities, will meet for the first time to-day on the Fisk campus. An interesting game is expected.

The following program was rendered in the Fisk Memorial Chapel on the night of Nov. 30th before a large and appreciative audience: Medley, quartette, Messrs. Dickerson, Hadley, Work, Frazier; instrumental solo, La polka de la Riene, Miss Sallie Jones; solo, Ernani, Miss Leila Robinson; solo, "Deep in the Mines," Mr Dickerson; solo, "Who will Buy my Roses?" Mrs. Jennie Jackson De Hart; solo, "Waiting," Mrs. Preston Taylor; tenor solo, selected, Sheppard Ware; duet, "I Know a Bank," Mrs. Taylor and Mrs. De Hart; solo, "Marguerite Farewell, Mrs. C. C. Gowdy; solo, "Old Folks at Home," Mrs. Jannie Jackson De Hart. Despite the fact that it has been some time since Mrs. De Hart has been connected with the Jubilee Singers, and has, for the most part, retired from the stage, she retains much of her sweetness of tone in the rendition of such songs as the "Old Folks at Home" and Jubilee songs. The concert was under the auspices of the Ladies' Sewing Circle of the St. John A. M. E church of this city. Rev. James A. Davis, pastor of St. Johns A. M. E. church, has been called to preside over the South Carolina Conference. The new pipe organ adds to the beauty of Hoffman Hall. Look for Rev. James A. Davis' cut in the next issue.

A Wolf in Sheep's Clothing.

Nassau, N. P., Bahama, Special.

EDITOR FREEMAN:—Please allow space in your valuable paper to inform the public far and wide to beware of certain strange looking would-be's. One of the above kind came in Nassau about the first part of this year. His name is Parckensen. After treating him as a gentleman ought to be treated while here, after he got home in England he wrote a pamphlet, referring to his tour in the Bahamas, saying in that pamphlet that the black people of this place, on his arrival came to welcome him to their shores bare-footed and covered with trinkets, and their expressions or words were slang or imperfectly articulated, as "dem say dat dem lobe me," and such like. I protest against such proceedings. The people here are not equipped in learning, yet they have good common sense and if their pockets were so well lined so as to cover themselves with trinkets, they have sense, equal to him, to cover their feet with leather. Then he refers to me and placed me in the same rank. I am an American. I came from Fall River. There is not one colored man or woman from any city in the United States with the mere tools of education that cannot and do not surpass his censorious and obnoxious criticism. Therefore beware of strange "cloth" and look out for one-sided preachers. HENRY W. JOHNSTON.

Social Events.

Monmouth, Ill., Special.

Mrs. Lewis and Mrs. Bush of Galesburg are the guests of Mrs. Kipper. Mrs. C. A. Thomas is indisposed. Mrs. H. Stokes handsomely entertained about eighty of her friends Monday. The guest came in three divisions. The young people from two to four, the A. M. E's. from four to six, and the Baptist from six to ten. Mrs. Stokes proved herself an estimable hostess. Miss Cora Hawkins of Galesburg, the guest of Mrs. Nana Jefferson, was tendered a reception Monday evening by her hostess. Mrs. Joe Davis and daughter Minnie spent several days in Galesburg last week. Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Jones entertained Mr. and Mrs. P. Munson and J. Nichols at dinner Thanksgiving. Charles Stuart a Chicago stenographer, lectured Tuesday evening at the Second Baptist church. His theme was "The Cost of Leadership." Saturday being the 14th anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. B. Baker, about twenty of their young friends, led by their niece, Miss Eva Humphrey, pleasantly surprised them. They left several tokens of friendship to the happy couple. The A. M. E's. masked social was a success financially. Mrs. John Long's friends remembered her with a handsome rocking chair and a purse Friday evening. IOLANTHE.

A Departed Mother.

Scott, Ark., Special.

MR. EDITOR: Please allow me a small space in your well circulated paper. I received this morning information that my mother is dead. She departed this life last Tuesday. She died in her 69th year. Two sons and one daughter survive her. She was a member of the A. M. E. church for more than twenty years. She joined Zion Chapel of Natchez in 1868 under Dr. Clark

Yours, S. E. JOHNSON, Augusta, Ark.

Are you a mechanic, a factory hand, do you labor in the soil, in the mines, the machine shop, the planing mill? Try a dust proof case 'Premier," a FREEMAN gift.

A POLITICAL FORECAST.

Just wait and see
If Thomas B.
Reed is not
The nominee:
Just wait—and see.
—B. Square.

THE "WABLERS" LAMENT.

AUGUSTUS M. HODGES.

We "wablers" all feel like taking appeal
From the verdict the "Age" man has rendered
Pray, what makes a poet? we all want to know it;
And why have we thus been offended?

Brooklyn, N. Y., Nov. 28, '94.

FLORA BATSON CAPTIVATES

An Appreciative Audience—T. Thomas Fortune did not "Take" as an Orator.

Denton, Tex., Special.

G. R. Hodge and Miss Edwina Overton were married on the evening of the 2d, inst., at the C. M. E. church. Mr. Hodge is one of our most industrious and exemplary young men. Prof. E. S. Doty commenced teaching at Lewisville, on the 3d. inst. J. H. King paid Houston a flying visit on the 28th, ult. The "Colored People's Day," at the Cotton Palace, Waco, Tex., on the 24th, ult., was a very tame affair. The parade did not materalize as per program. The singing of Mme. Flora Batson Bergen was grand. The lady completely captivated her audience, as evinced by the many encores she received from both white and colored. The Hon. T. Thomas Fortune did not come up to the expectation as an effective orator. He is now touring the state lecturing on "Ida B. Wells and her work in England." On the stage at Waco, on "Colored Peoples' Day," was noticed the following distinguished men of the race in Texas: Prof. H. T. Kealing, president of Paul Quinn College, Waco; Dr. M. A. Majors, master of ceremonies; Henry Clay Gray, editor New Test, Seguin; W. H. Herbert, editor Illuminator, Austin; Dr. Coppin, editor A. M. E. Church Review, Philadelphia, Pa.; Hon. C. M. Ferguson, Paris; Prof. G. W. Jackson, principal High School, Corsicana; Prof. H. C. Bell, principal High School, Denton; Prof. A. J. Moore, principal High School, Waco. Mrs. Betty Boyd of Dallas, was a guest of Mrs. Tenie C. Bell last week. Denton Lodge, No. 2305 G. U. O. of O. F. will give a public installation on the 15th at their hall on West Oak street. Rev. J. A. Broadnax of Indian territory is visiting Rev. C. H. Hopkins of the A. M. E church. At the literary society on the 28th ult., the question for debate was, "Resolved that Women Should be Allowed to Vote." The question was decided in favor of the affirmative. Rev. C. H. Hopkins left for Bonham, the seat of the N. E. Texas Annual Conference on the 5th inst. Prof. D. C. Limbrough (white) superintendent of city schools, visited the colored schools on last Friday and made quite an interestng address.

Preparing for a Christmas Concert.

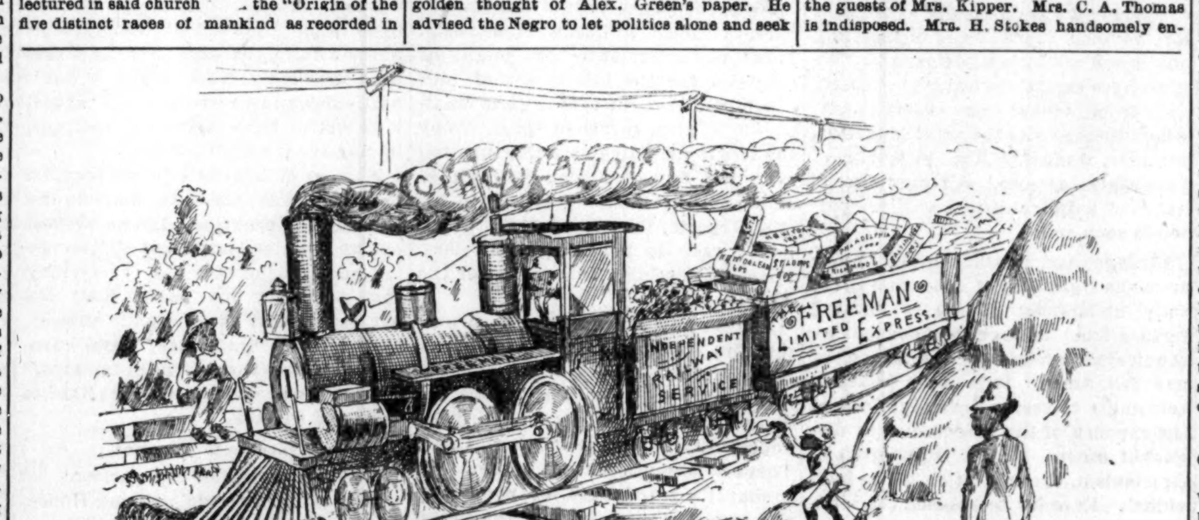
Clarendon, Ark., Special.

Miss Johnnie Mosby of Holly Grove spent Wednesday with Miss Lizzie Brown. Rev. Knight, ex pastor of Poplin Grove, and wife were in the city en route to his work. Rev. Johnson has organized the childrens' Missionary Society and at last Saturday's meeting they numbered about forty. He is also getting up a concert for Christmas. Rev. Brown, P. E. of the Helena district was in the city last Monday. Miss Henrietta Mosby who has been spending a few days in Stuttgartt giving painting lessons returned last Friday to her home, the "City of Roses." The supper given on Thanksgiving for the benefit of the G. U. O. of O. F. was one of the grandest affairs of the season. Rev. John C Jones, P. E. of the Forest City district and the great Eastern Arkansas orator, preached a wonderful sermon here Thanksgiving day. The Presiding Elder of the C. M. E. church was with the good people of that church last Sunday at the corner stone laying. Miss Jackson of Mississippi was in our city Saturday and Sunday en route to Holly Grove where she was expected to lecture. Miss Jackson's lectures are among the best. Rev. Holmes, editor of the Helena Reporter spent Sunday in the city. F. N. Sneed, who has been on the sick list is able to be at his post. J. E. Hamilton, at this writing is unable to be out. The courts are not excusing any one. They sent one man, white, to the state prison for two years, who is worth $15 000. A. Burrel, who has been on the sick list was on the streets Saturday. Mrs. Banner is not yet able to be out.

Thanksgiving Observances.

Chattanooga, Tenn., Special.

Thanksgiving was observed on the 29th, ult., throughout the city. Special services were held at Wiley Memorial M. E. church by Rev. Zeigler, the pastor, assisted by several divines from other churches. The Eagle Star Lodge No. 1777, G. U. O. of O. F., sat a very elaborate table day and night, proceeds for their widows and orphans. Their net receipts were up in the hundreds. Much of the success however, is due chairman C. H. Cox. There was connected with the supper a very particularly prepared programme, under the auspices of Mrs. W. B. Kennedy. Japanese Wedding Friday evening at the Congregational church, in connection with the Bazaar, the two previous nights, was a worthy affair. The bride and groom were Miss K. M. Daugherty and H. B. Lewis. Their representation of Japs was very good. Rev. M. Vann spent a few days in Memphis last week. Mrs. Henderson is still improving. Subscribe for The Freeman through C. E. Newton, our agent. Headquarters at Dr. O. W. James' drug store, 403 W. Ninth street. Pay for The Freeman when it is delivered to you. Miss Mary Guess returned last week from quite a lengthy trip in Knoxville, Charleston and Cleveland, Tenn.



UNDER HEADWAY! THE FREEMAN CHRISTMAS EXPRESS! A GREAT WINNER!

THE PEOPLE WANT THE BEST—Our One Dollar rate is a winner. Just one week has elapsed since we announced it and up to 2:30 p. m Friday, the "RENEWALS" and NEW subscriptions have excelled all previous years 23 per cent. Yesterday morning's mail brought from one city alone 190 RENEWALS in one bunch—a matter unprecedented in the history of THE FREEMAN. Within the last three days "Renewals" have been recorded from one hundred and nineteen different cities and towns. A great many people who have heretofore purchased THE FREEMAN weekly have sent in ONE DOLLAR, thus becoming regular yearly subscribers. With every RENEWAL or NEW subscription a fine portrait of either Frederick Douglass, the late Dr. J. C. Price or the great Hatien Liberator, Toussaint L'Overture is given FREE as a souvenir from THE FREEMAN publishers When the clock strikes the hour of twelve Christmas night this rare opportunity will have passed. Read with attention our many inducements and offers elsewhere in this issue. Follow the crowd—get on board—the BEST is always THE CHEAPEST.

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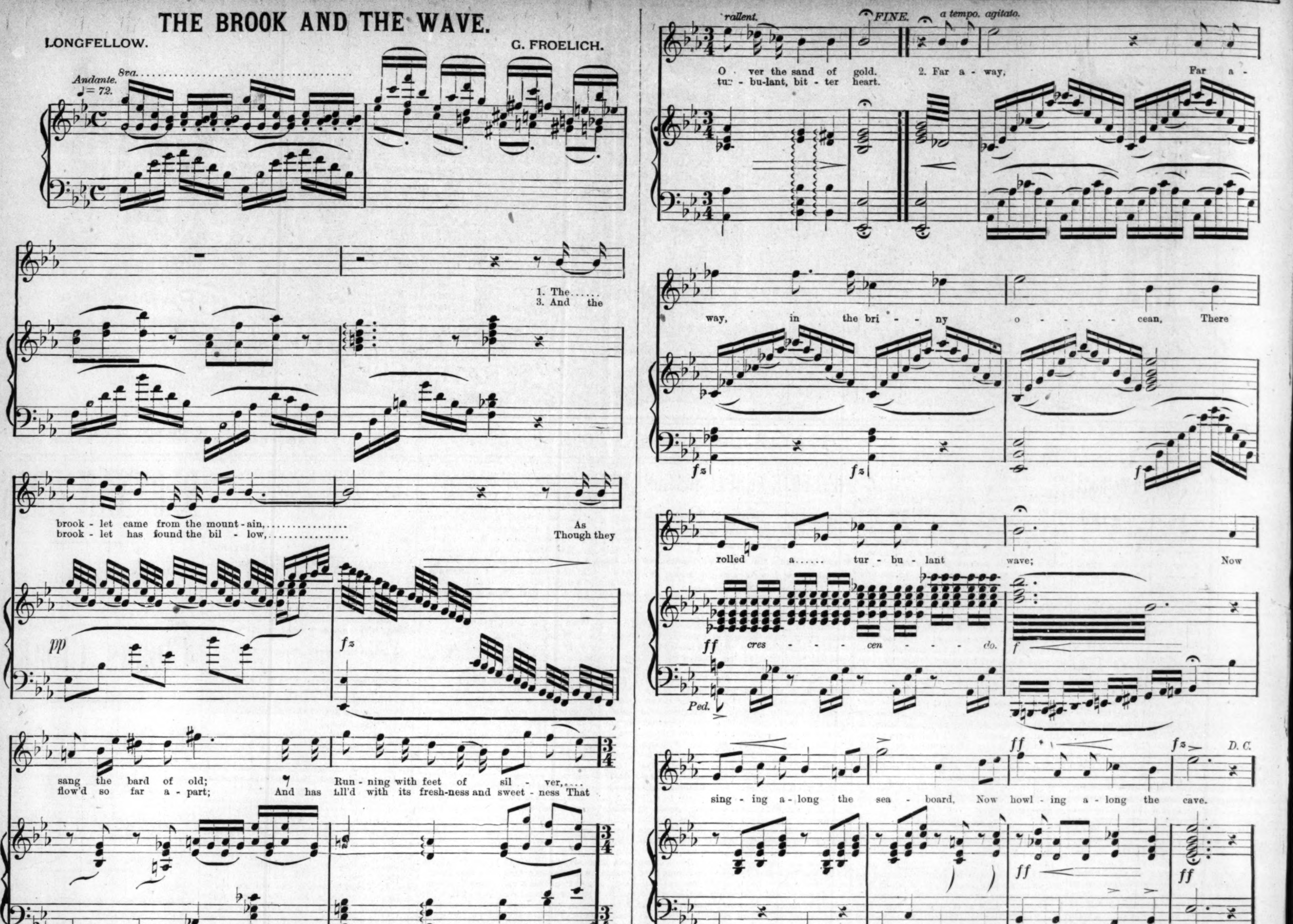
A Pleasant Trip.

Noblesville, Ind., Special.

Mrs. Dr. W. L. Perry spent Thanksgiving and over Sabbath with Mrs. Woodward Stewart of Noblesville. After serving an informal dinner to a few of her many friends, Mrs. Perry's stay was made more enjoyable by a drive over the beautiful farms, alive with fine live stock, of her host and hostess.



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The Brook and the Wave.—2.

Afro-American Citizenship.

BY JOSEPHINE E. GHANT.

BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA.

"He is a noble citizen and a good father who remembers in the education of his sons that the state has need of men who love it and who understand its laws."

Every Afro-American youth should carefully study the laws of the constitution of the United States and of the state wherein they reside. The child of to-day in another generation will be the people, the citizens. The training of the boy or girl begins at home and in the school room, The habits of a child are not harmful to itself alone, but to others and the same evils that areinjurious in the home or school are an injury to society and the state.

There are many strengly prejudiced against the Negro, that would like to prevent him from getting work or from voting, but the laws of the government make it necessary that all classes of citizens shall have the same rights. Now since we enjoy the privileges of citizenship, we must remember that we owe the government something in return. It is a mistaken idea that voting alone constitutes a good citizen, while it is the duty of every man to vote there are other requirments equally essential or rather qualifications prior to the vote. To gain the respect and confidence of our neighbors is the first step toward good citizenship, and by respecting ourselves we demand the respect of others. A man with a cleanly and neat person and orderly bearing will naturally put to shame one who is untidy. To stint ones self of soap and water is a mark of barbarism, as dirty and filthy huts, are characteristic of a barbarons people. It has been said by many that the Afro-American enmasse are semi barbarons, and to a certain extent this is true and ever will be until we have more pride and respect for ourselves and our children. Poverty doesn't for a moment excuse a dirty, offensive and disorderly person, and premises (yet thousand of our children are being trained in that belief, and we will never be able to speak with pride of our Afro-American citizenship until this idea is crushed out.)

We should be civil and polite in our manners, but always our natural, true self. "True politeness is founded on benevolent feelings." Rough manners do not necessarily indicate honesty neither learning and knowledge good manners. It costs nothing to be civil and polite. We should show respect to age and our elders; it tends toward manly and womanly character. It is the affable man or woman who gains affection and esteem. Every word and act is an index of character, and we should exert every effort to ennoble it.

The character of man depends upon the nature of choice and choice upon the nature of man. It is left to us individually, whether we choose the best. Many wish to shirk on others the responsibility of their choice, but they alone are responsible. Choice of the lower tends to lower the character of the higher to raise it.

There are three classes of choice, moral, intellecsual and animal, for instance a man wants a book, and a dinner and has only money enough to buy one of the two, if he chooses the book it is an intellectual choice, if the dinner an animal choice. Or we may suppose another case, a man at home reading and it is election day and he chooses to remain at home reading rather than cast his vote, his is an intellectual rather than a moral choice, He neglects his duty to his fellow men. It was once said by a clergyman that if a religious meeting and a caucus were to be held on the same night, it is best to go to the cancus as it is of more importance and of seldom occurrence, for often the fate of a nation depends upon one individual vote.

There is not sufficient value placed on womanhood. We often hear the assertion "we will respect our women when they respect themselves." If you will respect them now is the time. It is a mark of respect to the mothers if no more. It is to the mothers we credit the sons.

It is to the mothers that we are indebted for those noble characters of to-day, both male and female. It is the mother that possesses the refining influences of manhood and womanhood. She is gentle, patient, forgiving, enduring—the greatest of all teachers and her teachings are the most lasting. Hers are of that high moral standard which is most needed and the lack of which is most felt. Now did it never occur to you that your mother was once a daughter or a sister? Women are of the weaker and gentler sex and need care and protection of the stronger, and it is but the mark of a true gentleman to give it. Another important requisite to good citizenship is the proper use of money. The lesson of financial economics should be taught in every household. The use of money is all the advantage there is in having it. Without money we are disarmed as citizens for we can have no contradicting power and cannot well demand it. We must have capital in order to succeed, and from capital we realize profit which increases as the skill, education, patience, industry and integrity of the people increase. A fortune in the hands of a dull, shiftless and lazy person is soon spent.

Strange and improbable as it may seem the right idea of education is not fully understood. There is nothing farther from us than the fact that we acquire knowledge for the benefit of our fellowmen. It is more pleasant, seemingly to use, to lord ourselves at the expense of the discomfort or disgust of others. It is a latent spark of Grecianism, the deification of the individual. In order to broaden the intellect we must read good literature. Emerson said when he wished to know whether a person was cultured, he asked had they read Plato or Shakespeare. Just as we are known by the company we keep, so are we known by the literature we read. Literature tends to form, sustain and console the higher nature to increase our love for the sublime and the beautiful, to give us more confidence in virtue and the best views of human nature. It tends to reform or reform what is best and noblest in man and the result of this refinement is culture. To read is to think. I doubt whether a man who has no ideas of his own knows whether he is himself or some one else. A man who sells his vote is simply a piece of property; like a lost dog you must look on his collar to find his owner's name. We must attend the small things as well as the greater; we must have manly men and womanly women. Now the great mass of our people are citizens and yet the majority of them are ignorant of what is imposed on them. They think its all in politics.

The present system of politics is a true index of bad citizenship. The government is like those who govern, and those who govern represent the people. There is an absence of principles in the politics of to-day. It is a profession or trade to be a politician. Men seek their own individual interests financially and officially. Money is master, man the slave. They who orate on the political issues of the day enumerate the virtues of their candidate and themselves, and overlook those of the opponent. They vie with each other in swaying the ignorant masses with their harangue, and the one who wins is a fine politician. The farthest from the truth one goes the better.

Now, the Negro has no time for politics, and must withdraw from them. It is time thrown away that might be employed for the betterment of citizenship. Leave the campaign to fanatics—it is better suited to them. Why the Negro delights in sending up yell after yell for some man to be put in office that will not legislate in his (the Negro's) favor, and from whom he will reap no benefit, is a mystery. There is nothing in politics for the Negro.

Politics now mean a good time with the boys, smoking, drinking and cheating. Without these politics would not be politics, and this is about all the Negro politicians get out of it. They appeal to his lower nature alone. There is no sense of right in them. It is simply a grand rush for popularity and empty honors. Now, if the Negro manifested half enthusiasm in forming coporations and accumulating wealth to place himself on a level with other races that he does in politics, it would be far better.

Every man should vote and in any way he pleases. I fail to see why all Negroes should vote one way more than anyone else. It isn't human nature for all men to think alike. Why should we any more than others? It is the most absurd doctrine that was ever given ear. While many of us favor protection to Amerlorn industries and have reasons for it, some other man may favor free trade and furnish a good reason also. The question is, does it mean anything to us? The American wants us to assist him in protecting his industries, but will not employ us. Now, if your wages are better under the protective tariff, vote for it quietly. It is time to noise and clamor for protection when we have our own industries to protect, or at least an interest in those of others. Suppose, even, that we workod as hard in suing the government for the protection of our lives against lawless mobs. That would be worth while.

Every man should be his own judge in the matter of voting. While voting the Democratic ticket doesn't necessarily make a man a Democrat, neither does voting the Republican ticket necessarily make him a Republican. A man should stick to his party principles, providing he has any. It is better not to vote at all than to go against one's conviction. If a man is an honest Democrat he is more than a dishonest Republican, and vice verra.

Now, many of our leaders and best thinkers figure largely in politics, and to them we look for the spreading of a healthful moral and intellectual influence. It is [illegible] that where women have been allowed o participate in public affairs, the moral influence has been marked. Now, while I don't particularly favor woman suffrage, it it is better than manhood suffrage, let us have it without delay.

Now, as citizens and fellow men, let us join hands and help more on the the wheel of progress. Let us respect one another, and crush out all jealousies and prejudices and everything that obstructs our path. Root out everything that has, or tends toward, that spirit of "pull back," and carefully cultivate that of "push forward." Let our watchword be On! On! On! to fame and success.

Lynching in America.

A large audience was present recently, at the Friends' meeting House, to hear an address by Mr. G. F Richings, of America, on the progress made by the colored people since the emancipation. The lecture was illustrated with lantern views, showing some of the great schools that have been built for the education of the Negro. It was evident that the lecturer had certainly gone very deeply into the subject. He assured his audience that the color of the skin had nothing whatever to do with the development of the mind, and as an evidence of that fact he showed a picture of the Rev. Geo Lee of Washington, D. C., a genuine Negro of the darkest hue, and said he had by hard study acquired a very fine education, reading both Greek and Latin, and was a very fluent speaker. Many views were shown to illustrate the skill the colored people have as mechanics, and among the different things shown was a steam engine, five carriages, and wagons made at the different industrial schools throughout the South by Negro students. Mr. Richings gave a full account of the many unjust laws and the race prejudice in the South the Negro had to fight and contend with. As to the lynchings, the lecturer said Miss Ida Wells had not told the English people half of what was occuring, for there had been hundreds of colored people put to death in many of the Southern States, and no one except the friends of those who committed the outrage knew anything of them. There had been over 800 cases within four years where colored people had been burned, shot to death, or hanged to some tree by some wild mob that thought the Negro had looked at some white woman. Such a thing as a trial, when a Negro's life was in question, was almost unheard of, and never had one been known to get clear when tried by a white jury. Not only were colored people lynched in the South, but everything else that could be done to humiliate them and hinder their progress was done. Hotels and restaurants were closed against the race; separate cars were put on the railways for them, and in most cases the cars for colored people were not fit to put a horse in much less a lady or gentleman. In Atlanta, Ga, the white people possessed a mudhole of a park with a signboard that announced colored people not admitted accept as servants. That was only one way to stab and insult the race. He was often asked how long these things were going to last? and his answer was until the American people, both north and south, can be made to see and feel the shame of such treatment upon any class of people. He intended to spend the balance of his life trying to make the people see how wrongfully they had treated the Negro. In conclusion, the lecturer said he hoped his audience had not got the impression that it was only in the South that race prejudice was found. That was not so; it was all over the country. The northern people would not treat the Negro unkindly or cruelly, but the prejudice was entirely too strong, so much so that many an educated colored person had been refused a position because of his or her color. He hoped the eyes of the people in the States would be opened before some awful calamity befel them for the manner in which they had treated and were now treating the Negro.—Bristol Eng., Evening News.

The Baby Feet That Never Came.

In the autumn's cheerless night,
  While the wind wind croons without
And the flicker of the fire
  Leaps and dies as my desire
Breasts the barriers of its doubt,
  I can hear the patter, patter,
—'Tis a phantasy—what matter—
  Of the baby feet that never came!

Those rosy lips that linger in a kiss—
  The rounded cheek that nestles close to mine—
The eyes of blue that know no doubt,
  That shut us in—the world shut out—
The soft white arms that wreathe and twine
  And under all the bitter rod
Shall hold me fast to faith in God
  And but the echo of the feet that never came.

'Tis thus in autumn's chill and summer's heat—
  In midnight stillness or in throbbing street—
I hear mid silence or above the throng
  The echoing rhythm of the song
And benediction of the baby's feet;
  What matter else afar or near
In the untotaled sum I hear—
  The patter of the feet that never came is best!

O, baby of my dreams, thy dimpled cheek
  And lip and eye and silken tress
And all the attributes of heart
  Are but reflection of some part
Of her who is the bride of death!
  And thus through every throught of thee
I look beyond Gethsemane
  To where she walks who loved me tenderly.
    —H. S. Kneedler.

Every woman needs Dr. Miles' Pain Pills.

SHALL WOMEN VOTE? YES.

Argument Made on the Opening Night of the Bethel Literary Circle, Indianapolis, Indiana.

BY MRS. JAS. T. V. HILL.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:—The subject for discussion to-night is, "Resolved, That the Women of the United States should Vote." Our aim in the discussion of this question is to benefit all, and we most earnestly beg of this audience to reason with us for a few moments. We are not here to attempt to unsex ourselves, or to demonstrate any degree of dissatisfaction because we are women, but to respectfully contend at the altar of public opinion for what is justly due us as women. Few if any would exchange with men, all things being equal. Our contention is simply this: That the conventionalities, forms, customs, irregularities engendered by misconceived opinions which deny, hinder, obstruct, and impede our progress as a component part of the human family, be torn away, and that we be permitted to enjoy to the fullest extent all the rights, privileges and immunities accorded unto man. Man with fire and sword stands ready to detect and defend against the least sign of encroachment upon what he considers his several rights. Now this is the stand which the intelligent, moral, religious, law-abiding self-supporting and tax-paying women of the civilized world have taken. Is this position unfair? We might as well try to stop the progress of civilization—we might as well try to stop the tides of the Atlantic as to attempt to forestall women in the overthrow of this tyranny.

Ever since creation's morn, when God decreed that they should have domain over the fish of the sea and the fowl of the air, when woman was created for a help-meet for man, has this principle been enunciated. I will make him a help-meet; the term meet in this connection means equal, and the twain shall be one flesh—a blending together of the two persons into one—representing a oneness, a singleness of plan and purpose. How many men have failed in business because they have failed to accept the counsels of their wives? How many are wholly dependent upon the suggestions of their wives, in order that they may succeed in their enterprises? Now, nations are made up of families; if the wife should be consulted in family matters, why should she not be consulted in matters pertaining to the government, where those matters are first moulded and shaped within the family circle? The constitution of the United States declared to the civilized world these principles—that the government derives its just power by the consent of the governed. Are not women governed by these laws the same as men? Are they not subjected to the same punishment as men if they fail to obey the law? If they steal they are imprisoned; if they commit murder they are hanged, and yet as a government we utterly fail to carry out what we profess to do, toward more than one half of our population. Again, we the people of the United States in order to carry out a more perfect union, etc., do ordain and establish this constitution of the United States of America.

As women form a part of those who are governed, and if she be disallowed a voice in the making of these laws which govern both her individual and property rights, it follows that such government fails to derive its just powers by the consent of the governed. Again, the power of taxation exerted without representation our revolutionary fathers decreed it to be tyranny; and for this cause the American colonies rebelled in 1776 against the mother country as an act so unjust as to call an appeal to arms and to the God of battles to determine the justness of their cause. Some men claim that women have not the intellectual ability to vote. Intellectual women are the equal of men as is amply shown in our schools and colleges. The girls as a rule stand higher than the boys in all of the different departments. The history of all nations from time to time immemorial contain accounts of patriotic liberty-loving brilliant women—equally as great as the boasted superiority of man could fix in any age, a counterpart. Time would fail me to mention the Ruths, the Esthers, the Hannahs, and Marys of sacred writ; the Nightingales, the Victorias, the H. B. Stowes, whom you will admit that in that famous book written by her, entitled 'Uncle Tom's Cabin," did more toward the agitation of the question of freedom than any one else at that time, and the famous Amanda Smith who through her wonderful influence in carrying Christ's blessed gospel has been instrumental in bringing many souls to God. And last but not least she who to-day is carrying on an incalculable work for the benefit of mankind throughout this country England in the person of Miss Ida B. Wells; and yet this class of women born fitted to embellish history, are deprived of the right to vote. Even the ignorant Irishman who knows nothing of the legislation of this country, the dirty Dago who scarcely knows that his soul is his own—anything wearing the garb of a man except idiots, lunatics, insane men, convicts and women are allowed to vote. At the recent city elections two of our prominent women, Miss Reid and Miss Hay, went to the polls to vote; were of course refused. Why? Only because they were women; and this is the only excuse, and on this account were not given the right to say by their ballot what part of legislature is suited to them or who shall administer the laws most effecting their highest and most important affairs in life.

Four years ago at Castle Garden, N. Y., more than 50,000 emigrants held up their hands and took the oath of allegiance, and thereby become full-fledged citizens of one government. And yet women, some of whom pay enormous taxes in all the states of this union, there exists not one who is a tax-payer, but has studied the science of our political machinery. The lamented O. P. Morton opposed suffrage of colored men for the reason, as he stated, it would place the ballot into the hands of an ignorant ballance of power which might prove a menace to our Republican form of government and he thought on that account he (the Negro) ought serve an apprenticeship before being inducted into the responsible duties of citizenship. If this be true, coming as it does from such high authority as Senator Morton, is it right that women, who are as a rule, morally better and possess more general intelligence are to be thus discriminated against. Why should your mothers, sisters, aunts and nieces be classed with idiots, lunatics, convicts and other dangerous and irresponsible elements of society who under our laws are clothed with legal disabilities and on that account prohibited from voting. Some women claim they don't want to vote. Are there not some men who never want to vote. Some claim the polls are not fit places for women. In every walk of life the woman's presence has had a beneficial influence. If we have some bad women, we have some bad men also. At the recent election it was said that in the history of Denver where women voted there was little trouble on election day, and never was there less fraudulent voting done. Women voted faster than men and made fewer errors. Here is a sample of man's logic:

"Female mind is strong,
But female body is weak;
Therefore female mind must be spared
And female body worked."

Why is it that women who occupy the same positions in life that men do, do not receive the same wages? Why does not the party in power legislate against this? Simply because the party's vote will not be effected. Therefore if she should vote the party would hasten to raise her wages. Now ladies, let me appeal to your intelligence: Study thoroughly this question and do not stand in your own light, and you will eventually come out more than conquerer.

Our Representative Praised.

Fairfield, Ark., Special.

Prof. Grant S. Neal, traveling representative of The Freeman, favored our community with a visit last week in the interest of that paper. During his short stay he lectured for us two nights, Tuesday night at St. Ruth's Baptist church, and Wednesday at Mulberry Grove Baptist church. He had a good audience both nights, and every one expressed themselves as being well pleased with what they heard and learned. Prof. Neal is quite a young man, but is up with the times on all current topics. He is very brilliant, and we bespeak for him a great future. There was a literary society organized Tuesday night, Nov. 20th, at St. Ruth's Baptist church. Robert Johnson was elected president. Another was organized at Mulberry Grove Wednesday night, Nov. 21st. Rev. J. E. Johnson was elected president, and George Galmoy secretary. Both societies owe their origin to Prof. H. D. Hulet, who has left nothing undone in trying to raise the standard of his race in this community, morally and intellectually.

Will Not Dance Christmas.

Solgohachia, Ark., Special.

The A. M. E. Zion conference will convene here on the first. The young people lost their best friend when Miss Betsy Miller died. Rev. McMehan is doing all he can for the Presbyterian church. Mrs. Mary Roseinan is on the sick list. Miss Mary Meacham will soon leave for New York. N. E. Roseinan, a young teacher, began teaching on the 19th ult. Miss Cynthia Parker will attend the high school at Pine Bluff next week. The boys and girls have pledged themselves not to dance Christmas in this vicinity. G. L Bryan is preparing to go to the high school at Philander Smith college. D. Hinson is looking for a residence in the territory. The Freeman is loved by all.

Personal.

Ft. Solina, Col., Special.

Louis Harrison, who left Lima, O., April 14, '94, has regained his former good health.

WOMAN'S FIELD OF DUTY.

Dr. Chapman Says it is Personal Influence in the Home.

She Destroys Her Influence and Loses Her Charm, He Declares, When She Enters Political Life.

Rev. Dr. M. B. Chapman, pastor of Trinity Methodist Episcopal Church, South, says the Baltimore Sun, preached last night on the topic, "Woman in Her Relation to Religions, Social and Political Questions." He said in part:

"No work which Christianity has accomplished is grander than what she has done for woman. Some one has truthfully stated that woman is the great discovery of the present century, by which he meant that it has been reserved for the Christian civilization of the nineteenth century to assign to woman her true position in the world. No wonder a heathen woman said to a missionary. 'Your Bible must have been written by a woman, for it says so many true and beautiful things about women.'

"I can comprehend why some reject Christianity, but I cannot understand how any woman in this Christian land can be an unbeliever, for she owes all that she is to the Gospel.

"When Martin Luther's wife, Catherine, was grieving over the death of their little girl, the great reformer said to her:

"'Don't take on so, wife. This is a hard world for girls.'

"And is still a very hard world for girls, save where Christianity has defined women's true relation to man and to the world around her.

"The question arises what special relation does woman occupy in the great religious, social and political questions of the day?

The natural and normal work of woman is personal influence in the home. God has been pleased to vest in her an authority, an influence, which in its conservative character on the prosperity and happiness of the human race transcends all other agencies save the divine self. If God has shut out the ordinary woman from participation in public life and shut her in the home, it is because her sphere makes up in quality what it lacks in quantity.

"Woman loses her power and influence just in proportion as she leaves her true sphere. Whenever she enters the realm of public life, either as a voter or a politician, she not only thus destroys her influence, but she also sacrifices that indescribable charm which is so important a factor in her character.

"She does not need an enlargement of her sphere, but to cultivate well that place where God has put her. The legitimate work of woman is vastly greater than her present executive ability. It has been well said that they who direct an age's thought are more potent, though to the eye less active than those who do its deeds. In the hands of the mothers of this land lie its future destinies.

"As a large and important department of the work of the world is intrusted by God to women and men cannot do it, so a large and important department of the work of the world is intrusted by God to men and women cannot do it. It is not a question of superiority or inferiority, but of divine adaptation of means to end. This principle is especially applicable in Christian work.

Dr. Chapman then outlined some of the special work of Christian women.

Praise For His New Pastor.

EDITOR FREEMAN:

DEAR SIR:—Organization is the chief corner stone of civilization, hence one of the most potent things in political affairs is in a properly adjusted organization. Then when the various elements of machinery are completed in all of its bearings, and lubricated with ministerial executive ability, there is no gainsaying sufficiently vicious in its tendencies that are able to dislodge any properly conducted church, most especially when there is a level headed master at the helm of the ship. The human family is composed of so many component parts with as many diversified ideas, that it is quite natural for each and every one of us to have an idealization of our own. That after all, are in common with our fellow man. Yet when there is no common center around which all can be housed, there is of necessity an inclination to establish a oneness, which, when called upon in the various departments that there is no final concentration of mind and matter. Rev. H. A. Stewart, who came here at the beginning of this conference year, and found things in a chaotic condition, has from the wreckage he has placed our church and church society immeasurably above any of her competitors. All the various departments are in a healthy and cherry basis. Therefore, as to his general character, he is a student in all that the term expresses and implies, and he has infused a spirit and new blood in our church matters. There has been progress and new developments sprung up in our midst.

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LOST RELATIVES.

I am very desirous of finding the whereabouts of Luvenia and Francis Harrard, owned by Dr. Joe Trint before the war. Their father's name was Joe Harrard; mother's name, Maria Harrard. Their brothers' names were Braxton, Isom, Robert and Washington Harrard. I, Washington Harrard, am very anxious to find my lost sisters. They were sold in Richmond, Va. Any information relative to them will be thankfully received. Address, Washington Harrard, Dawson, Ga.

I have a son; have not seen him since the war. His name is Thomas Taylor Turner, my home was in Madison Co., Tennessee, but I left him in Columbus Kentucky with a man by the name of John Stevens, who was a Telegraph Operator. He was between the age of 7 and 8. His father's name was Sam Turner and my name was Henrietta Turner. Every pastor will please read this to his congregation, and readers will please inquire. Any one giving information will oblige Henrietta Wallace, 1408 Maple St., Des Moines, Ia.

I would like to know the whereabouts of some of my people, which, to my remembrance, belonged to a slave-holder by the name of Gamble, and lived in Defate county, Mo. My mother's name was Ellen Gamble, and father's Anthony Gamble; and four brothers, the oldest, Henry Gamble; next, Ellison, Walter and Alander; sisters, Jane, Mollie, Chanie, Harriet, Emiline and myself, Eliza. Old Gamble had two sisters, both married, one named Steward and the other Walker. To his sister, Mrs. Steward, he gave sister Jane and myself, and my sisters Channie and Mollie, to his sister, Mrs. Walker. My sister Jane was married to a man named Abe. My people left old Gamble's place by night, but could not take me, as I was kept up to the house; but I remember a short time after they left, my mother sent my sister Mollie after me, but they would not let her have me. Any information concerning any of the persons will be thankfully received by Mrs. Eliza Dyson 4202 Lucky street, St. Louis, Mo.

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AS TO RECORDER TAYLOR.

When Democracy swept everything two years ago, and Grover Cleveland was once more chosen to preside at the helm of government, THE FREEMAN looked above the politics of Mr. Taylor and advocated from the beginning his plea for presidential preferment. Not that we were drawn to Mr. Taylor through the ties of personal friendship, and surely not because of the stripe of politics he professed, but that he was a Negro, a member of our common race, and finally because it is THE FREEMAN'S idea that whenever it can conscientiously assist in raising up any man or woman whose face is bronzed with the irony of nature, it can indulge no higher duty than to do so. The best of us, the most highly favored of the Negro family in America, whether Republican or Democrat, or what you will, needs assistance all the time, and from whatever source obtainable, in the battle for chance and favor in life, as life is lived and vouchsafed to the black man in America. Filled with this spirit the editor of THE FREEMAN presented a resolution to the Afro-American Press Convention, in session at Chicago, indorsing Mr. Taylor and thanking President Cleveland for his appointment as misister to Boliver. Previous to this incident, up to the moment of his appointment as Recorder of Deeds, being a Negro, we made his cause our cause, and omitted no opportunity to testify to the sincerity and earnestness of our support. As against other Negro Democratic aspirants for the chief gift, whatever it should be, that Mr. Cleveland had set apart for his Negro henchmen, we were for Mr. Taylor against the field, somewhat because he hailed from the West, somewhat that he possessed ability and experience in certain directions above his fellows in the Democratic camp, but mainly because we believed, and still believe, that he had amply earned beyond any other applicant all that Mr. Cleveland would give him. When the appointment of Recorder came to him, we said editorially:

In the change at last announced in the control of the office of Recorder of Deeds of the District of Columbia, we congratulate both Mr. Bruce and Mr. Taylor. Mr. Bruce, that in accordance with all of his public record, he leaves this office absolutely without a breath of accusation following him as to the cleanliness and uprightness of its management, and Mr. Taylor, that he has been given an opportunity to accomplish the same good report of himself.

What we said then we still hope and wish, viz: That Mr. Taylor, when the time arrives for him to give up the Recordership, will be enabled to look back to a trust that under all circumstances he was true to, and in the discharge of which all men, regardless of party, will be constrained to say, "Well done, good and faithful servant." When the poet wrote,

> Never noble name
> But wha made ignoble talk,

his pen was overshadowed and directed by the spirit of a great, though sad, truth, and if Mr. Taylor has cause to recall the couplet in these days when villification and accusation seem bent on directing their worst upon his head, we would not be surprised. Only let Mr. Taylor be quite sure he is not deserving of unpleasant treatment, and all the disgruntled sycophants this side of hades cannot, in the general wind-up harm him, while his real friends will be given new courage, if needed, in his behalf.

READ our great offer to raisers of small clubs—foot of next page.

OUR Christmas number, to issue December 22, will be a RED-LETTER affair.

SPEAKING of presents, what nicer and so cheap as THE FREEMAN for one whole year for ONE DOLLAR? !

WE hope every Negro editor will read the excellent letter of Dr. Henderson on this page, and profit by the splendid suggestions it contains.

THE now celebrated Lexow committee, of New York, after a well earned rest, have commenced business again at the old stand, with a corresponding shaking in the knees of Gotham's gilt-edged scamps. The mills of the gods grind slow, but they grind exceedingly fine.

MOTHER!

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"Where is my boy to-night!"

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MR. HERBERT T. PLATTER, a well known Republican and citizen of Seymour, this State, is a candidate for post master of the Senate of the coming Indiana Legislature. The Seymour Republican in speaking of its townsman said in its last issue.

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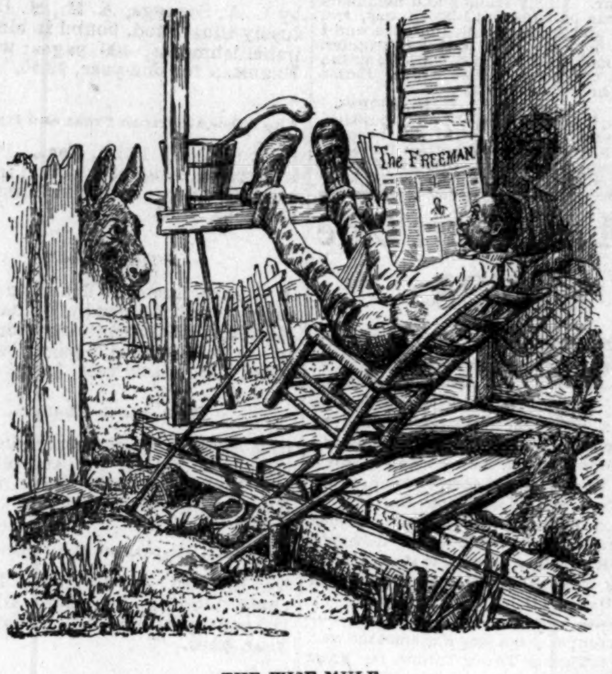
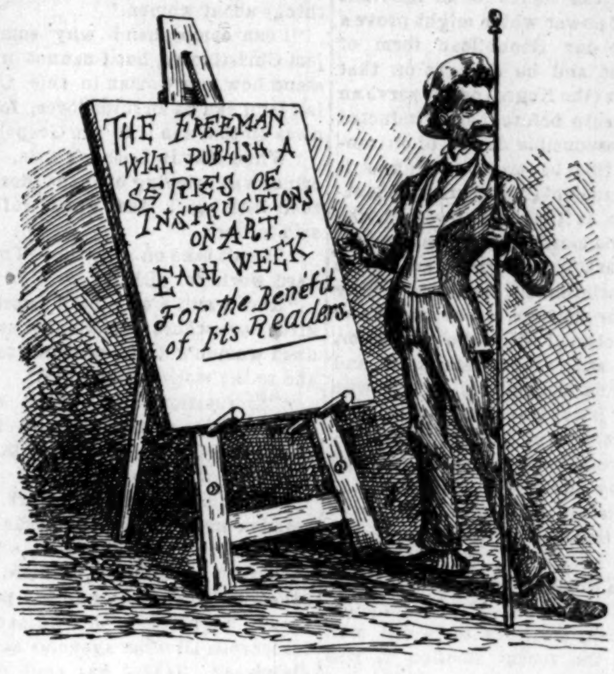


THE WISE MULE.

PETE—"You see dat mule, mudder; I nebber take de Freeman in my han' dat he doan take hisseif to dat same spot an' look jes like he want to talk."
MOTHER—"Mule got mi'ty long head son; spec he want ter heah all 'bout de nice tings THE FREEMAN guan to hab fer Christmas."



THE HALF NOT TOLD.

Commencing with the CHRISTMAS NUMBER—Which will be the ROSE OF SHARON, the LILLY of the VALLEY among race papers. THE FREEMAN for '95 will add many new features to its columns, not heretofore attempted in Negro journalism. Has your time expired? Renew Now. Have you never been a regular subscriber? Subscribe Now! Until 12 o'clock Christmas night, ONE DOLLAR pays the bill.

ADVICE TO NEGRO EDITORS.

If the Afro-American editors felt the force and appreciated the truth of The Freeman's recent definition of "great men" and would speak and act accordingly, the one great obstacle across the pathway of true progress would be speedily removed. I could name two other papers which have ever lived up to the truth. Their columns have never exaggerated and their influence have never been lent to perpetuate the deadly deception. The race is unconsciously aware of the mistake it has made by rating things according to a special rather than a universal standard. This is shown by the fact that only those papers which never indulge in fulsome exaggeration have attained a real standing. In the public mind the meaning of the word "great" is dependant upon which paper uses it. Some papers call a little "oyster supper" a "great" affair and a little songster in a little concert a "great" singer and yet attracts no attention to the objects they have praised while the same words in another paper would have been far-reaching in their influence.

Merely as means of winning that respect and authority, so essential to true journalism, all of our editors should fall in line with the standards that are of universal applications. It is time for such expressions as "a great Negro" to be substituted by "a great man." The Negro is now universally conceded to be a man and the value of individuals should be rated by the one universal standard. When no Negro can be called great simply because he surpasses his fellow Negroes, then he will feel a nobler ambition and seek to measure with the great men of the world. THE FREEMAN, the Age, the erstwhile Plaindealer and such other papers as are or were edited by persons who came to a knowledge of the truth by being in touch with the world have done more to incite our youth to education and true worth of character than can be estimated.

It is such papers alone that are appreciated by the conservative and thoughtful element. Were all of our editors to adopt a correct standard and stick to it, the Afro-American press would become a mightier factor than it is. Now most of the papers pander to the false notions of the ignorant and thereby do harm instead of good. The editors all over the country are daily confronted with the "false notions" that are rendering thousands content with a life far below their possibilities and yet say nothing for fear of loosing a dollar. Let us be made to see that we are now part of the world, and let us be incited to rank with men as equals.

A "great Negro" may hop into a jim-crow car and ride peacefully but a "great man" would never submit to such injustice. A "great Negro" may be a tyrant over his unfortunate fellows and a sychophant before white people, but a "great man" would be kind and just to his inferiors and dignified before his superiors.

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ABOUT the time last week we were suggesting that if Mr. Taylor had in his possession any exculpatory correspondence, from one or each one of the triumvirate that The Globe claims has agreed to destroy him, he had better give it to the public, he had already did so, and candor compels the admission, that your uncle Taylor is not by any means disfigured by their publications.

CHRISTMAS is just a pace down the road. The frost of Santa Claus' breath reached us some days ago. Glance your eye on the bottom of next page and observe the menu of good things within easy reach of the dear one's at home—mother, father, brother, sister, and the "girl you left behind."

"SHOULD Women Vote?—Yes"—a contribution from Mrs. J. T. V. Hill, of Indianapolis, and "Afro-American Citizenship," by the well-known FREEMAN contributor, Miss Josephine E. E. Ghant, of Birmingham, Ala., which appear in this issue, are both strong articles, worthy a careful, discriminating reading.

"LET the dead and the beautiful rest," is a touching couplet, but considering the sea of flowers placed by loving hands upon the desks of the Democratic dead in the House of Representatives last Monday, one is reminded of Mirabrieu's parting words: "Crown me with flowers, sprinkle me with perfumes, that I may thus enter into my eternal sleep."

WE acknowledge a request from the Hon. C. H. J. Taylor Recorder of Deeds of the District of Columbia, to have been present to an informal dinner which took place the 7th ult., in Washington in honor of Hon. H. C Smith, U. S. Consul to Santos, Brazil.

DUST-MAKERS, BUT NOT TAKERS.

The Freeman nags, and the cool-headed driver is charged with tidings of our great Christmas number. It will be observed the road before him is broad and unobstructed, and the sun of success awaits him at the journey's end. It will be a great number indeed. AGENTS OR OTHERS must get their orders for extra numbers to us no later than Monday the 17th, to assure them being filled promptly. CASH must accompany order.

FALSE RUMOR SIR?

C. H. J. Taylor, recorder of deeds at Washington, D. C., has been bounced. The way of a Negro Democrat is very rocky."—Iowa State Bystander.

Nothing of the kind; Mr. Taylor has not been bounced. The "Bystander," the looker on in Vienna, should be more careful in making statements. The fat and good natured Recorder holds his own up to this writing against all comers, and running the risk of being charged with offensive partizanship we trust he will continue to do so. The removal of any Negro for cause, regardless of his politics, from so important an office as District Recorder of Deeds would be a racial calamity.

FROM the Chicago Free Speech of last Saturday:

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"THE AUTOCRAT"

From the Springfield (Mass) Daily Republican.

Why say "The Autocrat" we love is dead!
He has gone away, to come no more.
He cannot die whose page is written o'er
With brave and noble thoughts, that luster shed
Upon the genius of the race. The shore
He dwells upon, what grand old ocean's roar
May lash its sands, counts naught. He fed
The fires of Fame, to bless Parnassus led!
I never heard the music of his voice;
I never saw the sunshine of his smile;
Yet, we dwelt near each other long from choice,
Companions in the day and night the while,
And are such now. His inspired thoughts will live,
His deathless self me comfort still to give.

—T. Thomas Fortune.

New York, October 20, 1894.

THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

"Words, words, words," would be a pretty fair compendium of criticism of President Cleveland's last message, and not suffocate it with compliment either. Mr. Cleveland is the President of the United States, either through grace of God or the delusion of the American people, or both. He is also the recognized political head of his party, that but a few days ago waded through a slaughter house to an open grave, but if Mr. Cleveland is the least bit sorrowfully aware of it, he gives no hint of his condition in this last message to the people. Not a

> "Wave of sorrow rolls
> Across his peaceful breast."

This is well. It proves that Mr. Cleveland has an idea of being as large as the multifarious responsibilities of his great office demands that he should be, hence has no time and less occasion to indulge in idle regrets over party calamity and defeat. In the main, the message, if not to be complimented as a great state paper, is, nevertheless, a comprehensive, dignified statement of our domestic and foreign affairs and relations, and should be read by every loyal American.

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WE have received a copy of the Catholic Family Annual through the courtesy of the Catholic School Book Co., of New York City. The little book is a compendium of valuable information and choice biographical matter.

DON'T, SIR, DON'T!

What is the matter with the brilliant editor of THE FREEMAN? He knows Cooper, and he is well acquainted with him. Why should he ask an explanation of any statement made by the ex-Indiana liar and police court visitor.—The Globe, Washington, D. C.

What's the matter with you, that you should indite such a squib? The editor of THE FREEMAN may, or may not, be well acquainted with Mr. Cooper in the direction suggested, and whether so or not cuts no figure in the desire of the race generally to know the truth relative to this whole dem dirty business. We have a most pronounced opinion that the pencil that penned the above, if not held in the fat hand of our friend, the Recorder, was at least inspired by him; and if he will give us his ear a moment, we will whisper a word in it, that, if heeded, may save him much mortification in the future, and that word is DON'T! Don't lay the flattering unction to your soul that the people care a copper for Cooper, as far as what THE FREEMAN editor or any other man may think or know of him. Just now it is C. H. J. Taylor they are concerned about, as to whether he is being systematically slandered and abused, or is really unfit to retain the office he was called to. Up to this time he seems to have the best of the situation. It appears he has been a mistreated, imposed upon man, and there should be no occasion for him to disturb that impression—by, with his own hand, writing himself down a villifying ass and blackguard.

Annual Conference Will Meet.

Bryan, Tex., Special.

Rev. W. A. Fortson is making a long pull for a splendid report from Lee Chapel to the annual conference which assembles at Huntsville, Tex., December 13, Bishop Warren presiding. Mrs. Ella Jefferson, beloved wife of D. A. Jefferson, was buried from Shiloh Baptist church on Nov. 27th. Rev. W. C. Cole and family left for their new post of duty on Thanksgiving day, Rev. J. H. Rankin, of the Houston District A. M. E. church, will hold his first quarter at Munford Prairie on Dec. 3rd. It is contemplated to have a splendid demonstration during the Christmas holidays by our three literaries. Payne, League and Union. Mrs. N S Knox arrived home from Waco on last Sunday morning after a delightful three weeks trip to the Geyser City. Cambridge McIntosh, Jr., is just in from the attractions of the Colored Day at the Cotton Palace. The boys of the graded school spent Thanksgiving on a big hunt. John Bowen of the 7th grade proved to be the best marksman. Mr. John Ford is in the city again. Miss G. D Polk reports having a good time at the Cotton Palace.

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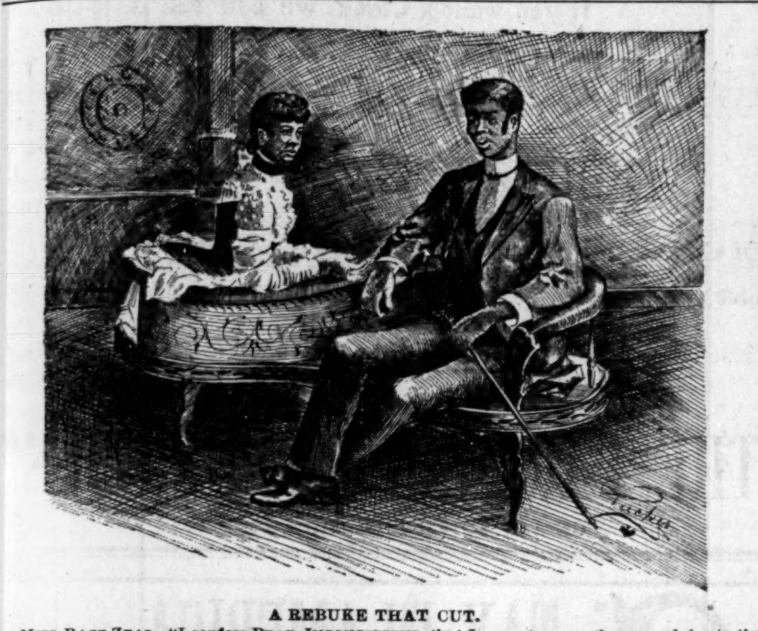

A REBUKE THAT CUT.

MISS RACE ZEAL—"I confess PROF. INCONSISTENT, that I cannot reconcile your advice to the members of THE LITERARY, viz: That they should read race literature, support race institutions with your hesitancy to become a member of my FREEMAN CLUB, the race's leading mouthpiece, and more surprising still, you spend fully four or five dollars a year for papers of the other race that seldom record anything good of the Negro, while THE FREEMAN, the fearless champion of our people will cost you but ONE DOLLAR."

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Many Business and Professional Men of the Race--Good Schools,

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Pine Bluff is one of the principal trade centres of the Arkansas river valley with an estimate population of 15,000 souls. It is a live, progressive city, and is surrounded by thousands of acres of fertile and productive soil The crops on the whole are good, considering the hard times through which the farmers had to make them. A great complaint among them is they can't get a resonable price for their products, especially cotton. The timber distribution controlled by the city, is difficult to estimate. The city is well supplied with institutions of learning for the colored youths. The city High School, with its various branches, conducted by Prof. M. R Perry and his co-workers, are doing a grand work. Prof. Perry was granted a State certificate by the superintendent of the Public Instruction a few weeks ago. The Pine Bluff Normal College is lying still, but is moving steadfastly along the line of progress under the guidance of Prof. J. C. Corbin. We also find The Richard Allen's Institute under the faithful care of Prof. Lewis Johnston acting well its part, in shaping the future destiny of the race.

Among the business and professional Afro-Americans of Pine Bluff we take pleasure in making special mention of the following names: Messrs W. P. Lampkin, C. Harper, Joe Bearden, McHaney, M. L Offord, Thos. Haines R. W. Hays, S. M. Ceasar and Mrs Jas. Howard. These merchants should have the support of every race loving Afro-American in Pine Bluff. And why not? They will sell you goods as cheap as you can buy them from white merchants. Lawyers, A. L. Barnett, J. F. Jones, and S. C. Price, are at your service, on any legal business that you may come before them with. Drs. C K. Davis, J. W. Rowland and G. A. Cain are here to look after the health of their people and will kindly wait upon any who may call on them for medical advice. Mr. Wiley Jones lost on the night of Nov. 28th, one hall and other property by fire. Total loss $1,500. No insurance.

We were pleased to learn that Rev. H. H. King had been returned to Pine Bluff another year as pastor of St. John A. M. E. church. Rev. J. C Sherrill, pastor of St. James M. E. church who has been on the sick list for some time, is reported convalescing. The Little Rock annual conference of the M E, church, will be held in this city January 24, 1895. Profs. Perry, Smith and Childress, are now regular subscribers to The Freeman. Dr. Battle has completed his church on St Barraque street. It is a beautiful building and reflects great credit upon its pastor.

GRANT S. NEAL

Silver Leaf Club Entertained.

Decatur, Ala., Special.

EDITOR FREEMAN:—Rev J. H. Hurd, formerly pastor of the A.M.E. church, this city, was assigned to Stevesen, Ala. Messrs. W. A. Harris, Wm. Alexandria and Wm. Renolds are much encouraged over the improvement of their business. Every colored family of this city should trade with these gentlemen. We are waiting patiently upon Messrs. G. W Lockhart and W. A. Harris, for the news. Prof. E. M. Dale, principal of the city school, has quite a number of pupils. Miss Olyer Taylor, a student of Huntsville Normal, passed through this city on her way to her home in Birmingham, Ala. Miss Victoria Lampkin, also a pupil of the same school is visiting in the city, which is her home, but will return to Huntsville Normal in a few days.

Little Charley Jones, a member of the St. Paul's M. E. church Sunday-school has been seriously ill for several days. Mrs. Martha Rivers, (the grand mother of Charley Jones,) who have been visiting relatives in this city has returned to her home in Prospect, Tenn. Mr Hulett Banks made it warm for Messrs. John White and W. S. L. Sledge in the club room last Thursday night. Dr. and Mrs. W. E. Steers, entertained the Silver Leaf club royally on last Thursday night Nov. 22, 1894, at their residence on Vine street. Mrs. Octavia Blackwell is doing first class dyeing, at her home this city, corner Walnut and McCartney streets. The Silver Leaf Club subscribed for The Freeman last week as its literature. John Fountain, Jr., a young man of the city was admitted to the bar a few days past to practice law. The music of St Paul's choir was excellent last Sunday night. The ladies of St. Paul's church are preparing for the holidays.

G. W. Lockhart is preparing to bring home his bride. He is having the finishing touches put on his house. Quite a number of citizens of this city subscribed for The Freeman. The brethern of St. Paul are improving the quarters of their pastor very much. One room of the parsonage is now being plastered. Mr. John Guthrie has bought an excellent piece of property from St. Paul M. E. church The dumby party given at the residence of Mrs. C. P. Sykes by Nathanel May Housten was fine.

A HAPPY DISCOVERY.

HUSBAND—"Tell you what, Pet, I have five RENEWAL subscriptions to send THE FREEMAN to-morrow, and after taking out my usual 25 per cent commission, what do you say to sending for 10 pictures of distinguished AFRO-AMERICANS instead of a volume of the BLACK-PHALANX as we had concluded to do?"

(See our offer elsewhere in this issue.)

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Appeal of the A. M. E. Zion Church.

To all Evangelical Churches of the United States of America and to the Methodist bodies of Canada and the British Isles, Greeting:

Through the great mercies of God, we, the African Methodist Episcopal Zion church, have been brough within two years of the close of the first one hundredth anniversary of our history as a separate and distinct organization.

In 1796 James Varick and others, because of the existence of proscription and other conditions which hindered their intellectual development and religious growth, and prevented them from engaging in the work of spreading the cause of Christ and uplifting their fellows according as they felt themselves moved by the spirit of God, withdrew from the Mother Church and formed a separate and distinct organization, out of which has grown the great African Methodist Episcopal Zion church.

We congratulate ourselves on having had a man of such unselfish motives, sterling qualities and pronounced ability as an organizer and leader, to head this great religious movement; he was the first man of the race to grasp the great idea of a purely religious Negro organization. During this hundred years our church has grown from a handful to nearly 400,000 communicants, embracing every section of the United States, Canada, a part of Africa and some of the Islands of the Sea. It has taken a foremost part in all movements affecting the moral, intellectual and spiritual welfare of the race.

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We take this medium through which to inform you of our intention and to earnestly ask your sympatny and co-operation to make this Centennial effort a success in advancing the Redeemer's Kingdom and in the elevation of the race.

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Each denomination desiring representation will please communicate with Bishop A. Walters, D. D., Chairman Centennial Committee, No, 353 Bleeker street, New York City, N. Y.

Signed:

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The Y. L. A. Club "Receives."

Rome, Ga., Special.

Rev. C. M. McCurdy preached an eloquent sermon Sunday morning at the A M. E. church. Revs. R M. Cheeks and E. W. Lee paid us a short visit last week. D. W. Dooley of Marietta is in the city this week. Miss Mary Rawls and W. E Parks were married last Wednesday evening at the residence of the bride in South Rome, Rev. D Strictland officiating. Mrs. Fannie Jones who has been ill for several weeks is slowly mending. A. Harvey who has been seriously ill, is out again. Misses Maria Gibbons and Jessie E. Davis were in Anniston, Ala, to a grand Thanksgiving banquet. The party returned home Saturday afternoon. Rev. D Strictland married a couple in Marietta Tuesday morning. Now is the time to subscribe for The Freeman. There was a Thanksgiving reception given by the Y. L. A club at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Turner on Fifth avenue. Those present were: Misses Lula Turner, Ella and Ellen Collier, Maggie Shepherd, Lillie Durham, Agnes, Mary and Lizzie Pentecost, Willie Johnson, Annie Whetstone, Lula Morton, Sallie Pentecost and Mary E. Pentecost, Messrs John Robinson, James Carter, Joseph Bowens, Capus Riley, John H Wright, Alfred Lackey, R. D. Payne, Slaughter M. McCain, O. B. Watson, Gus Payne, Andrew Talbott, J. H. Crawford and W. H. Turner. G. W. Franklin, jr., our popular undertaker has completed arrangements for his removal to Chattanooga, Tenn.

"The Awful Aunt" to Be Produced.

St. Louis, Mo., Special.

Ho! Have you seen it? Seen what? "The Awful Aunt" produced by the Comus. If you have not, come out on the 13th at the Mt. Zion church, 26th and Papin streets, and you will see it. By special request they will produce the last year's hit of the season with a musical program furnished by the club assisted by the League. The participants are Misses Beaner, Peters, Edwards, Hyson, Lackland and Mrs. Tilly Geadd; Messrs. Spain, Lacy, Jones, Grady, Dandridge, Tarrant, Paskett, White, Peters, Brookman, Chatman and Lunderman. Don't fail to see it. Mrs. Drew of 2608 Stoddard street has been confined to her bed with typhoid pneumonia. Her case is very serious. Miss Katie Sommers of 823 N Leonard avenue, was called to Cleveland, O., Saturday on the account of the death of her sister, Mrs. Stevenson. The deceased leaves a mother and sister here. The Thanksgiving services at the different churches were celebrated morning and evening. The dinner served at St. Paul Chapel was something grand. The menu consisted of anything in the market. "The Incognito" produced at the Central was fine. Obadiah Simpson in his specials was the feature of the evening. Miss Katie Pearson is confined to her room on account of eye troubles, at 2606 Stoddard street. The literaries throughout the city are progressing nicely. The Central Union have no regular night as yet. The program produced last Tuesday evening was satisfactory to the crowd. Some of the young people were a little noisy, but we hope they will see their faults and quit. Call on R. L. Lunderman, 1522 Morgan street and get The Freeman.

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"Bible Band's" Interesting Program.

Metropolis, Ill., Special.

Among the number of visitors on Thanksgiving we mention C. L. Rice, attorney at law of Mound City, Miss Dora Lee, Mrs. Ella Tanner, Mrs Jennie Simpkins, of Paducah, Ky., Miss Amanda Phillips, of Golconda. Rev, B. W. Stewart received the sad intelligence of the death of their little neice, Zenovia Handy, last Sunday morning, who resided at the home of Stewart with her cousin. She was the joy of home and a favorite with all who new her. Age 10 years. Sister Stewart went to St. Louis to attend the funeral. Mrs. Georgia Rice's name is added to the sick list. Mr. Stanley Albritton has sold his farm of forty acres and purchased the J. B. Wright property on Vienna street Prof. A. Smith, who is teaching at Kuttawa, Ky., spent Thanksgiving with his family here. The meeting of the Bible Band Sunday afternoon was very interesting. Mrs. Minnie Buckman read a paper, "wee" Misses Levatta Martin and Maggie Turner had beautiful speeches. A duett was rendered by Misses Essil Cobb and Kimpie Robinson "Nearer to Thee." Rev. Samuel Cromwell delivered a lecture on "Joseph the Shepherd Boy" Elder J. B. McCrary lectured on "Self Confidence." Elder F. Robinson made his usual monthly visit to his church at Carondale. Rev. G. W. Rowlett filled the pulpit in his absence.

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(See our offers elsewhere in this issue.)

Personal Notes.

North Birmingham, Ala., Special.

Rev. J. A. Peel has returned from the State convention and is very sick. Rev. R. Gray has returned from conference and will pastor St. Luke A. M E. church again this being his third year. Luke Kimball has returned to North Birmingham. M. P. Shelton has returned home from Greensboro, Ala. N. D. Woods is back from Childersburg, Ala. Born to Mr. and Mrs. Starling on the 27th, a fine girl, mother and child are doing well. Cards are out announcing the marriage of Mr. Tommie McCoy to Miss Cora Hamilton. Miss Jennie Miller has moved to Birmingham. Mrs. Jennie Arnold will leave for Pittsburg, Kan., soon. Mrs. Lue Drake is spending a week in Montgomery, Ala. Mrs. Phebie Martin has returned home from Louisville, Ky., and reports a nice time. Harry Jones and Miss Cora McClue will marry on the 15th of December. So we are reliable informed it is rumored that Charlie Engham and Miss Emma Corbin will marry soon. Mrs. J. W. Watts will spend the holiday in Atlanta, Ga., with her sister, Miss S. E. Shirley will leave for Birmingham, Ala., soon. Mr. James Greer had a serious accident on his bicycle by running over a hog, the only injury was a bruised head.

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Society Flashes.

Coldwell, Tenn., Special.

The people of this community spent Thanksgiving in many different ways Some hunting birds, some fishing and others taking in fine dinners. Mrs. Mary White is on the sick list. Mr. D. Mullins is quite ill at this writing. Rev Eli McKenny and wife were visiting their many friends at this place the 27th ult. Mesdames V. A. Moore, Caroline Maupins and others, were the guests of Mary White and mother the 28th ult. There will be given at the Chapel Saturday night a grand entertainment for the benefit of the church Mrs. Susie Maupins has a very sick baby. Mr. A. C. Phillips has twenty-five pounds of corn for sale. We have a very good Sunday. We think that Mr. Dave Mullins will soon become a regular attendant of the Sunday school. All of those who owe for The Freeman please settle at once. More anon.

THE PRETTY TYRANT.

BRITOMARTE, emphatically—"Nothing that you can say will change my determination—once around the pond, and then home to my warm corner and the AFRO AMERICAN WOMEN OF DISTINCTION that just reached me from THE FREEMAN for the four NEW subscribers I sent in last week. It's a splendid book, filled with beautiful pictures of the famous women of the race."

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Danger in Being Too Fat.

The Chicago Dispatch recently contained an article on the "Danger of Being too Fat" It was an article which every fleshy person should read. The subject was ably and carefully considered and concluded with a reference to Dr O W. T. Snyder, of McVicker, Theatre, Chicago, as being the only educated medical gentleman who had made a scientific study of obesity and the remedies which will remove it without harm. Fleshy people should write the doctor,

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WOMAN'S WORLD.

Instructive and Interesting Items of News

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LOVERS STILL.

His hair as wintry snow is white;
Her trembling steps are slow;
His eyes have lost their merry light;
Her cheeks their merry glow.
Her hair has not its tints of gold;
His voice no joyous thrill;
And yet, though feeble, gray and old,
They're faithful lovers still.

Since they were wed, on lawn and lea,
Oft did the daisies blow,
And oft across the trackless sea
Did swallows come and go;
Oft were the forest branches bare
And oft in gold arrayed;
Oft did the lilies scent the air,
The roses bloom and fade.
They've had their share of hopes and fears,
Their share of bliss and bale,
Since first he whispered in her ears
A lover's tender tale;
Full many a thorn amid the flowers
Has lain upon their way;
They've had their dull November hours,
As well as days of May.

But firm and true through weal and woe,
Through change of time and scene,
Through winter's gloom, through summer's glow,
Their faith and love have been;
Together hand in hand they pass
Serenely down life's hill,
In hopes one grave in churchyard grass
May hold them lovers still.
—Magdalen Rock in Chambers' Journal.

Baltimore has produced an artist in the field of elocution, whom the critics declare will make Miss Nahar and R. Henri Strange look to their laurels. The artist in question is Miss Georgine B. Kelly.

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Miss Florence Nightingale, at the age of seventy-four, is enjoying excellent health. She is a rich woman, having, besides some private means, the $250,000 publicly subscribed for her by the English people at the close of the Crimean war.

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A pretty and convenient match holder is made of two clay pipes gilded, and a litile finely-woven Chinese or Japanese basket set between them and tied in place by satin ribbons finished by a pretty bow. Place in the basket a small glass to hold the matches, and hang up by satin ribbons attached to the under side o' the basket. About two yards of ribbon will be required.

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By the way, remarks a London writer, I wonder what becomes of all the abnormal and unusual women one is constantly hearing about—women who suffer from yellow asteria, women who believe themselves to be superfluous—the women, in short, who are more or less "new" or peculiar! They seem to me to be rather like Volapuk, the "universal" language which nobody speaks. The New Woman flaunts around us on all sides—on paper—but but no one ever seems to meet her in the flesh.

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Mrs. Drew, Mr. Gladstone's daughter, is bringing up her little girl on strictly hygienic principles. The small Dorothy, a joyous and healthy little person, generally trots about barefooted, wearing shoes and stockings only when the Hawarden roads are miry or frozen, or when she allows grandpapa to take her walking in town. She is his constant companion, and, sitting on his knee, has heard many state secrets as he talked to his official friends. She is a round and dimpled young ladv, and full of radiant life.

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Try soap-bark for cleansing woolen dress goods. Soak ten cents worth over night in a pail of warm—not hot—water. In the morning strain and add two-thirds of it to the water in which the goods are to be washed; if they are very much soiled, add a teaspoonful of ammonia also. Pour the rest of the water in which the soap-bark was soaked into the rinsing water, wring well and hang out of doors where the goods will dry rapidly. When nearly dry iron on the wrong side. The soap-bark not only cleanses, but gives a little body to the materials, such as new goods have.

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In the trousseau of Lady Rosalia Bingham is a tea jacket made of an excellent piece of satin worn by the Duchess of Richmond at that famous ball at Brussels which preceded the battle of Waterloo. It was fresh and bright as any materials introduced this season, and far finer in texture than most most modern weaving. The color was a light yellowish green, and it was covered all over with every kind of flower, which, though minute, were perfect in every detail, and they were hand embroidered in natural colorings. It had a full, cross-cut basque, the back of the bodice having no seams, the sleeves large and puffed, with lace ruffles matching the lace on the crossing fichu of lisse which trimmed the open bodice. There were hugh looped bows of satin at the back of the neck, a most becoming style.

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If you ever happen to notice one of the barber shops conducted by women, of which there are a dozen or more scattered over town, you will find the same spirit of daintiness asserting itself which makes the undertaking establishment seem almost cheerful, says the Chicago Tribune. This is particularly true of shops owned and managed by women, but it is not so noticeable in the cases of men's shops in which women are employed. Mrs. Marshall has a shop of her own on Cottage Grove avenue. There are some flowers in the window and a flowered sash curtain across it. There are pictures on the walls and there is a glowing baseburner instead of the dull cannon stove to be found in most of the smaller shops. "I have been taking care of myself in this way for ten years," said Mrs. Marshall. "It is a kind of work that a woman can do quite as well as a man, and the number of women who are learning the trade is increasing."

Last Conference and Tribute Meeting.

Glen Allen, Miss., Special.

The fourth and last quarterly conference of the A. M. E. church opened Saturday at 2 o'clock, Rev. W. F. Dangerfield, presiding elder, in the chair. The Missionary Baptist at the same time were in session, holding what they call county Association. Presiding Elder W. F. Dangerfield, and paster sent a paper of greeting to President W. W. Whitton of his assembly. Reports made were good.

SUNDAY SESSION.

Love feast was conducted by the presiding elder. At 12 o'clock Rev. W. F. Dangerfield, B. D., took for his text St. Luke xiii 29, "They shall come from East and from West, from North and from South, and sit down in the Kingdom of God." After the sermon 117 parteok of the Lord's supper. The increase this year has been fifteen souls. At night the house was packed again to listen to a grand sermon by the presiding elder. He preached from Rev. 5-9. The conference closed. Collection $52 85. Sunday, the 18th, ult, was another grand day in Allen Chapel A. M. E. church. We had a tribe meeting. All the preachers did not get to preach. There were two prizes, gold ring and fine casmer dress. Rev. S. A. Peters received the ring and Mrs. Nellie Sneeze the dress.

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PROF. W. S. SCARBOROUGH.

Brief Sketch of his Life—His Attainments as an Educator and Author.

BY D. S. MOTEN, WILBERFORCE, O.

In Macon, Ga., on the 16th of February, 1852, there was born to Jeremiah and Frances Scarborough the son, who is the subject of the accompanying sketch.

Taking a concise retrospective view of the life and career of Prof. W. S. Scarborough, A. M., LL. D., Ph. D., one of the preceptors of Payne Theological Seminary, we find among the many things very interesting and worthy of public mention, the following:

AS A MEMBER OF THE FAMILY.

W. S. Scarborough had one sister who died in early youth. He, therefore, was the only remaining child of the Scarborough family, a comfort to mother and a joy to father. His father died on October 29, 1883, leaving a widow and a son to battle for life, encircled with the girdle of slavery, and belted with the zone of heathenish race prejudice. The subject of this sketch obtained from his mother's christian life and influence that indefatigable determination to be something and to do something. Having had a burning love for books from early youth, his only parent decided to educate him, whatever the sacrifice and cost. One of the laws of Georgia declared in stentorian tones that if an Afro-American was seen with a book

PROF. W. S. SCARBOROUGH, A. M., LL. D.

in his hand, he should be severely punished. The christian hearted or sympathetic Anglo-Saxon who attempted to give literary help to an Afro-American, was to be fined or sent to the penitentiary as a cut-throat and thief. Under these barbarous and nomadic conditions of environments, little William was sent to private school, nominally to play, having his little speller hidden, he spent much of his time in school. Little William at the age of 8 years could write and read readily. He was well thought of by his playmates of the other race, and hence helped at times with his studies.

AS A STUDENT.

These private lessons were taken under the tutorship of Miss Kidd, a Northern young lady, until the American Missionary Association began its schools in that city. Passing through all the then established grades, he reached a completion at the Lewis high school in 1869. He entered Atlanta University at the age of 17, to make preparations for matriculating in Yale College. He spent two years in Atlanta obtaining the first rank in his class, and an excellent grade in Greek, Latin and mathematics. His high standing in a special examination the Legislative committee of Georgia, so influenced the Governor of the state as to confess that the Afro-American can be educated in the higher branches as well as the Anglo-Saxon. He graduated from Atlanta University Preparatory department in 1871. He decided in the following September to attend Oberlin College. The matriculation requisite was readily reached by him, having had a thorough training in his Greek, Latin mathematics, etc. He had a conspicuous place in the consideration of both teachers and taught. He was a member of one of the first societies of the college. The Alpha Zeta.

AS A PROFESSOR.

He returned to his native home subsequent to his graduation. The A. M. A., tendered him the position to teach Greek, Latin and mathematics in the Lewis high school. He returned however, to Oberlin in '76, becoming a student in the theological department and prosecuted, especially, Hebrew and Hellenistic Greek. The young Prof. Scarborough was, during the following winter, called to the principalship of Payne Institute, now Allen University, Columbia, S. C. He was upon to go to Africa by Dr. Pike to study the African languages and literature. (Read the current issue of the A. M. E. Methodist Review.) He declined to go, feeling an intuitive obligation to home. He was presently called to the chair of Ancient Languages in Wilberforce University, O., which chair he very efficiently filled until '92 when he was elected to the chair of languages in the Payne Theological Seminary, Wilberforce, O.

AS A LITERARY MAN.

Prof. Scarborough is profoundly didactic in his entire literary modus operandi; and his numerous literary productions, to the leading journals of this country and England, are indeed in the first rank of the leading literary lights of whatever race variety he or she may hail.

Dr. Scarborough was joined in matrimony in 1881 to Mrs. Prof. Sarah C. Bierce, A. M., of New York City, by the lamented Rt. Rev. Dickinson. This polished and learned lady is a congenial literary associate of the erudite professor. Our race is under many literary obligations to Prof. Scarborough. I speak not of this country alone, but especially England. The Manchester Guardian, the leading paper in Manchester, publishes with delight the articles from his pen. On this side the great waters he very proficiently represents us in the leading literary organizations, the Philological, American Social, Science, American Dialect, American folk-lore and American modern language societies.

AS AN AUTHOR.

Prof. Scarborough is a sui generis, peculiar of his race with respect to Greek authorship. He is author of a Greek book that speaks clearly of his matured and refined erudition. Author Scarborough has partially prepared an inductive Latin work also, but that is not public property. There are special pamphlets of no small consideration on the Roman, Greek and African languages and literature, prepared by the subject under consideration, for literary associations and organizations, that would be didactic and helpful to most readers.

AS A MAN OTHERWISE.

Prof. Scarborough has had thrust upon him recognition of his literary ability by being made the recipient of several honorary degrees. His Alma Mater, Oberlin, gave him the degree of A. M. in 1882. The Liberia college of Africa, conferred upon him the degree of LL. D. in 1882. The Louisville University of Louisville, Ky., conferred upon him the degree of Ph. D. in 1892. The A. M. E. church of which Prof. Scarborough is a member, has also recognized his christian and scholarly ability by sending him as a general conference delegate to represent a specific field of our great A. M. E. church. He has also quite an influence on the political and civil arena. He has had offers to go abroad as a civil United States representative, but he has refrained, to more directly serve the race here. The greatest thing about Prof. Scarborough has not yet been told. I consider his unostentatious daily christian life as being the greatest, the profoundest and the sublimest element in him.

"Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
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MR. G. W. SCOTT IS EXPELLED FROM NEVER SWEAT LODGE.

On Wednesday, Nov. 7, thirteen "Negro Democrats," all members of Never Sweat Lodge, No 4-11-44, assemblep in the barber shop they had taken by force for a club-room. They looked happy, and felt ten degrees happier than they looked. We will venture to say that they were the only happy Democrats in the State in which they lived. They got what they voted for—two dollars each. The rest of the Democrats in their State, and for that matter in the United States, got—left.

"Well, every thing's gone dead Republican, I see by the papers," remarked Tom Tatem.

"Whointherell cares? We voted for the dust and got it, so we've got no right to kick. Besides, I knowed that the Republicans was going to sweep the country. I always vote for money, but if I was going to vote just for the sake of voting, or for the party that's done the best for the United States, I'd vote the Republican ticket," remarked "Big Wash" as he filled his clay pipe with borrowed tobacco.

"Why, the Republicans even carried this ward, and its been going Democratic ever since I have been in the city, and I have been here fifteen years," remarked Sam Sykes.

"Well, what do we care which way tpe cat jumped? Mike Clancy had the money to spend for votes, and we got some of his dough. Now, let me tell you something, boys, 'bout this political business. The head ones on both sides is all white, and my motto is to skin a white man whenever you can. Don't listen to the chin music he gives you. Don't believe him if he says that he lost an arm fighting for the Union, or as they now say when they are talking to a colored person, fighting for us. Just make a business borgain, get the cash and vote. They are all out either for the dust or an office. Both sides now er days is just alike, only the Democrats pay you for your vote, and the Republicans either promise and never pay or want you to vote their ticket because Abe Lincoln freed the slaves after the South would not lay down her arms," remarked "Big Wash," who it will be seen was something of a political philosopher.

"I wonder where's Scottie? He ain't been 'round to the shop since Sunday, and I didn't see him nowhere 'lection?" asked Mose Moore.

"Say, boys, listen till I tell you about Scottie. Scottie is n. g. He lets his wife run him and the house, and she knocked 'ell out of him election day. That's what she done. You need not all set there and open your eyes so big. It's the truth, ain't it, Cap? She just beat 'ell out of him 'cause he started out to vote the Democratic ticket, or at least to get some of Clancey's rocks," replied "Big Wash."

"You—don't—say—so!" exclaimed several of the other members of the lodge, and even the barber, John Smith, opened his eyes in surprise.

"That's just what she done, didn't she, Capt?"

"Right you be, Wash. She just wiped the floor up with Scottie," replied the "captain."

"You see," continued Big Wash, "I was the first one 'round here that got the tip about Clancey, so I just run all over town and put the boys onter the snap. I told twenty-one of the boys and they all voted the Democratic ticket and got the dust except Scottie. Well, as I was going to say, me and Capt., and one or two of the boys, took a walk up to Scottie's house to put him onto the graft. When we got there, to give the devil his dues, Scottie treated us like a lord. He did the honors two or three times, and then I told him our business, when up jumped that tiger of a wife of his'n and 'lowed that she would not let him go out to vote the Democratic ticket; and mind you, she heard us say that he wou'd get two dollars for his vote. Any woman who was not a fool would be glad to see her husband make two dollars in a few minutes. Scottie throwed a bluff before us and told her if she didn't get out of the doorway he would knock her down. Well, gentlemen, I never seen such a thing before in my life. She just jumped inter Scottie and beat 'ell out of him, knocked down the stove pipe and throwed it on him, and then beat him all over the room and—"

"You all must have been a big lot of cowards to stand there and see a a man beat and mommucked all up by a woman," broke in Mose Moore.

"Well, say, I done that once down in Jersey, about seven years ago, and I woun't do it no more. A friend of mine was beating his wife, and I pulled him away, and the two of them jumped on me and knocked spots out of me, and I ain't forgot it yet. Besides, Scottie is no good to let his old woman club him. I say that any man who can't rule his own wife and his own house should be knocked out by his wife. Such paper men is no good, and is not fit company for any man. For my part I'll never have no respect for Scottie no more after what I seen yesterday with my own eyes. Give us a pipe full of tobacco, Cap," concluded Big Wash.

"Well, I knew that Scottie was a cur and no good ever since last spring a year ago, when he caught that rat-gig, 10-37-47, and got three dollars. I asked him to lend me half a dollar and he wouldn't do it, when I told him I would give it back to him that night, if my numbers didn't come out. I was going to do it, too, for the old woman had plenty of work that spring, and was making eight or nine dollars a week, so you can see I was not in need. I only wanted to pay a little bill, that was all. Since then I haven't had much use for Scottie," remarked Bill Brown.

"Yes," said Sam Sykes. "and he throws such big bluffs about how he runs his house, and all this and that, when he don't run it at all. The idea of a man letting a woman, and his wife at that, knock him out of getting two cold dollars. He is no fit fellow to have anything to do with nohow."

"I'd be ashamed to show my face on the street if I was him," remarked Joe Jarvis.

"Well, I'm going around to his house, after his wife goes to work today, and if I don't rig him and tell him what the boys think of him, I'm a fish!" said Ed Newsome.

"What's the good of talking about such a fellow? He's no good, only a big bluff. Who's got last night's slip? I want to make out a few gigs for this morning's drawing," remarked Harry Hill.

There was no formal vote taken to expel Mr. Scott from the lodge, as it was an informal meeting, but each member present secretly resolved to ostracize Scottie. So he was thereby expelled from all the blessings of Never Sweat Lodge, until such time as he should redeem himself by some heroic or philanthropic act.

We feel sorry for Mr. George Washington Scott, but it was ever thus since the days of Adam. Trouble always comes double-plated with cast-iron bands, so Mr. Scott will have the consolation to know that he is not the only member of the human family to whom circumstances or cruel fate has dished up two cups of sorrow at the same meal

Mr. Scott at last accounts was doing as nicely as could be expected, taking all in all. Doctors are always making mistakes, and Mr. Scott's doctor was no exception to the general rule. The mistake in this case, however, was in Mr. Scott's favor. The doctor's diagnosis was wrong; he stated at first that four ribs were broken, but a careful examination at the consultation proved that only two were crushed when Mrs. Scott sat down on her husband to reason with him.

Mr. Scott has promised his wife just nine hundred and twelve times by actual count since the historic morning of November 6 that, if he lives, he will never attempt against her wishes to vote. In fact, he has become a strong advocate of woman suffrage. He has also declared his intention of joining either the Bread Winners' Association or the Sons of Toil, and giv his wife a much needed vacation from the cares providing grub, etc. Still, sick bed resolutions, as a rule, fade from the memory as the patient gets better, or fly out of the window when health re-enters the door.

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David Baker is suffering with the tonsolitis.

R. D. Amos, of Terre Haute, is visiting this city.

Mrs. W. D. McCoy is suffering from a severe cold.

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Quarterly meeting at Lovely Lane last Sabbath.

Miss. Retta Curry has returned to her home at Greenfield.

Robert Gibbs is lying seriously ill at his home No. 51 Archer street.

J. H. Harrison, of St. Louis, is the guest of Mrs. Bryan, of Bismark St.

Mrs, Henry Hart attended the funeral of Mrs. Findly at Evansville last week.

The fan and doll drill at Simpson Chapel last Friday evening was good.

The East End ladies have in contemplation the opening of an industrial school.

John Holtz and Miss Narcissa Irvin were married on last Thursday afternoon.

Thomas Zion No. 23 Archer street is recovering from an illness of several weeks.

The Capital quartet will make a tour of the State after the holiday season.

John Robinson was buried from his late residence on St. Mary street on last Monday.

Joseph Gilbert and wife are both on the sick list at their residence on E. Court St.

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Miss Fannie McNiel left this week for Chicago and New York to be gone for two weeks.

Chas. Dickenson, youngest brother of Mrs. Martha Hall, spent Thanksgiving in the city.

Miss Lizzie and Lilly Sweeney spent Thanksgiving in Terre Haute, guests of Miss Stella Fisher.

Mrs. W. H. Moore, of Cincinnati, formerly of New Richmond, O., was the guest of Mrs. Anna Johnston.

Mrs. Rev. L. M. Hagood and Mrs. J. T. V. Hill read interesting papers at Simpson Chapel last Sunday afternoon.

The concert given by the Capital City quartette club at Blackford street church last Thursday evening was a delightful affair.

The question, "What is the best thing for the Negro to do in order to remove the prejudice which impedes his progress" was discussed at Allen Chapel literary on last Wednesday evening by Hon. Levi E. Christy of the World, lawyer J.T. V. Hill and Editor Sweeney of The Freeman.

Personal.

Cards are out announcing the coming nuptials of Miss Alice A. Stout to Mr. Ira A. McGown, next Wednesday 7 p. m. at the home of the bride's parents 425 N. California St.

Mrs. Thomas Cary, formerly of Detroit, Mich., more recently a resident of Montreal Canado, is in the city, a guest of her sister, Mrs. Landonia Williams, 518 N. West St.

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On last Thanksgiving day, one beheld old Bethel Church, a plain, substantial brick structure. Her massive walls had stood the winds and storms of many years. Even the old belfry still surmounted her roof, reaching up toward heaven. But there are times when we must witness the going out of the old and the coming in of the new. Bethel church as it was is not to be compared with Bethel church as it is. She has put on her new garments; her massive tower pointing 125 feet in the air; her old walls are still reared higher, while her beautiful painted exterior and slate roof adds to her beauty and attractiveness

But, Bethel Church as it now is, is not even to be compared to what she will be. The magnificent horse-shoe gallery, when completed, will be beautiful. The deep, resonant tones of the pipe organ will thrill the souls of all its listeners. The choir will gain the ascendency over all others. Her beautiful memorial windows will carry our minds back to our great leaders and workers. And last, but not least, when each and every soul shall feel that eternal life is its promised reward, then shall it be our wish:

"Oh, for a thousand tongues to sing,
Our great Redeemer's praise."

THE K. OF P. ENTERTAINMENT

And Drill Thanksgiving Night—A Banner Presented.

At the entertainment given at Masonic Hall Thanksgiving evening by Damon Knights of Pythias, a large majority of the members and friends were out. Owing, however, to the inclemency of the weather the crowd was not as large as it would have been. The drill that was to have taken place for a prize between the companies of Captain Buckner and Captain Porter was a one sided affair on occount of the latter not "showing up." The Herculean and Tuxedo Clubs were guests. The President of the Herculean Club was presented a gold medal, with the inscription "President, presented to the Herculean Club by Damon Div. No. 1" The Tuxedos received a handsome banner with the name of the club and when it was organized inscribed. The presentation addresses were made by W. Allison Sweeney. Responded to on the behalf of the Herculeans by President Joseph Broyles and William Reed for the Tuxedoes.

AT THE LINCOLN CLUB.

Thanksgiving Day and Night--A Grand Feast.

The members and friends of the Lincoln Club were dined at their elegant quarters 172½ Indiana Ave., Thanksgiving day. About 150 members and guests were present, including the majority of our leading citizens. The repast that was spread was fit for the Gods. The menu consisted of all of the delicacies that the market could afford. The table was artistically arranged and everything from "Blue Points" to cigars was served in abundance. Addresses were made by Messrs. Broyles, Waldon, Lowe and others.

LIVING PICTURES

At Old Bethel A. M. E. Church Thanksgiving Night.

Despite the disagreeable evening, many persons wended their way to "Old Bethel" to spend an evening with the "Living Pictures." The opening program consisted of an instrumental solo by H. Augustus Hall; recitation, Master Roscoe Walden; solo, "When you know the girl you love, loves you," Miss Duretta Dixon; "Old Bethel, as she was last Thanksgiving, as she is to-day," paper, Miss Ida B. Hall; solo, "Sing on Sweet Bird," Mrs. Anna Johnson; Prof. R. B. Shelton, solo, "The Ship I Love;" H. Augustus Hall in vocal solo, "My Son, My Son, My Only Son," follwed by "The Doll Drill," by ten of "Old Bethel's" younger daughters. Miss Georgia Stevenson's solo, "Dear Heart," preceded "The Landing of the Pilgrims," read by Miss Sadie Skinner.

THE LIVING PICTURES.

"Landing of the Pilgrims," Misses Hattie Bundy, Lillie Noil, Phila Stewart, Messrs. Geo. Gray, I. B. Johnson, Ollie Love, Frank Rice; the "Angelus," Miss Essie Johnson and Floyd Eubanks; "Mother's Prayer," Miss Antonia Porter and little Adda Willis; "Hope, Faith, Charity," Misses Sadie Skinner, Etta Lewis, Essie Johnson; "Rebecca at the Well," Mrs. Eliza Johnson; "Flower Girl," Miss Mabel Johnson; "Comrades," (two scenes) I. B. Johnson, George Gray; "That Sweet Girl of Mine," Miss Georgia Stevenson; "Rock of Ages," Mrs. Annie Johnson.

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JOHN W. BASS, Vice Pres.
JOHN W. WOODS, Sec'y.
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A Pound Party.

The members of the South Calvary Baptist church gave a pound party for the Alpha Home last Wednesday night under the leadership of their pastor, the Rev. Chas. Williams. They made quite a donation, amounting in all to about fifty pounds.

May Lecture Here.

A movement is on foot, engaged in by a number of our progressive white citizens to have Fannie Barrier Williams, the noted race advocate of Chicago, deliver a lecture here in the near future.

A Coming Event.

Get ready for a grand musical and literay entertainment to be given December 1894 by the Herculean club. The best talent in the community will appear at this time.

Pastor's Annual Report.

Sulphur Springs, Tex., Special.

Rev. C. F. Moore has wound up his years' work as a pastor. Money raised on brick church $779 97; paid pastor, $500; G. T. $28; entertainments, $50; incidental, $115; poor $40; Sunday school, $80; other preachers, $73; presiding elder, $45; education, $6; Free Will offering, $3; total, $1,631 97. The public school opened Nov. 26th. The pay school number enrolled is twenty-six. The classes of the C. M. E. church of Sulphur Springs, raised per class as follows: Class No. 1, $28 80; No 2, $24.80; No 3, $38 40; No. 4, $44.10; No. 5, $16.05; No. 6, $57.95; No. 7, $44.10; No. 8, $45 85. Later—Rev. C. F. Moore has returned from conference and has been reappointed to the Sulphur Springs church. John M. Johnson bought a six-year-old horse for $100. Thanksgiving services were not observed by the Hamites at this place in any way whatever. It must have been forgotten by the leaders.

How Thanksgiving was Spent.

Logansport, Ind., Special.

Thomas Asworth has resigned his position at the Barnett James Carter is very sick. Thomas Lake is suffering from an attack of neuralgia. The young son of Mr. and Mrs. James Carter was baptized last Sunday. Presiding Elder A. Smith preached to a large congregation last Sunday night. The choir rendered some very fine selections. The bass solo by L. C. Jones was appreciated by the congregation. Rev. McDaniel gave an address, subject "Thanksgiving of the Present," at the union Thanksgiving services of the churches of the west side held at the Evangelical church. Mr. Marshall acted as headwaiter at a banquet given by the C. K. of A. last week. Rev. Jason Bundy, formerly of this city, preached to a fair sized congregation.

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The name and address of the colored boy who took a note to the Dennison House Hotel on or about May 17, 1894, calling for a small valise in room 153. This is only for information and no harm will come to the boy. A liberal reward will be paid.

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